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TENSIONS AT THE CAPITAL CONTINUE TO RISE AS CONGRESS RACES THE CLOCK TO PREVENT A PARTIAL GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN AND PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP IS FRONT AND CENTER IN THE UNFOLDING DRAMA.

[TAKE VO]

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LAWMAKERS IN BOTH PARTIES ARE LOCKED IN HIGH-STAKES NEGOTIATIONS OVER BUDGET BILLS AND FUNDING DEADLINES. PRESIDENT TRUMP HAS WEIGHED IN FORCEFULLY, PUSHING FOR DEMANDS THAT COULD COMPLICATE THE DEAL. AN AGREEMENT HAS STILL YET TO BE REACHED. WITH THE AGREEMENT NOT BEING REACHED YET, COMPANIES LIKE THE NATIONAL ZOO AND SMITHSONIAN MUSEUMS HAVE ALREADY SHUT DOWN. OTHER FEDERAL AGENCY SHUTDOWNS WILL COME AND AFFECT EMPLOYEES AND NATIONAL PROGRAMS IF AN AGREEMENT IS NOT MADE SOON.