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That's where "the rubber meets the road," said [Katherine] Blakeley, research fellow at Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments. "The Budget Control Act of 2011 is still the law, and it needs to be amended by the regular legislative process, which means you need at least some democratic buy-in."