



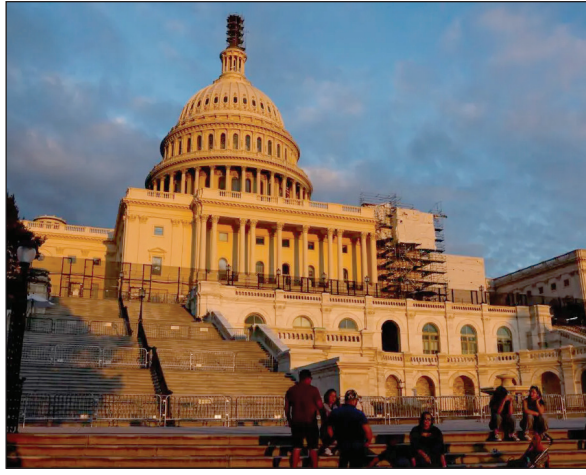


Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender (LGBT) organizations, and think tanks.”

Organizations hoping to receive grant money submit applications showing how they can fulfill the request. Department employees then review the applications and choose which organizations will receive money for proposed projects that fulfill the grant requirements.

This process gives federal employees immense power, Mr. Ditch said.

There’s no easy way to shift control of the federal grant-making machine toward political neutrality, he said.



The U.S. Capitol building in Washington on Sept. 30, 2023. Anna Moneymaker/Getty Images

Federal employees “are going to default toward groups that they’re more ideologically inclined toward,” Mr. Ditch said. And currently, that’s overwhelmingly in the direction of the political Left, he said.

“The solution is not trying to nudge the federal Leviathan a tenth of a degree toward the right,” Mr. Ditch said.

The solution, he said, “is to stop giving [federal employees] so much money” to give away. 🇺🇸