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Issue #24 - Fire, OOPS, Rehire

Topic - Doge destroys too many departments

We saw the results of DOGE's wrecking saw approach to stopping "Waste, Fraud and Abuse" as Musk and his teen henchmen carelessly dismissed thousands of hard working and valuable government workers. There was no evident evaluation of the negative effect that might happen as departments had key personnel swept away.

The damage was done! Dozens of critical personnel losing their jobs meant that many government functions could fail. Thankfully, some effort is being made to correct the damage by rehiring some of the needed people.

It's not going smoothly though. Some of those being rehired report that they received debt notices from the federal government to pay it back for health care coverage. Those workers also say the notices are for coverage they never had.

In the News

CNN 6/24/25

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"There are time bombs all over the place in the federal government because of this," said Elaine Kamarck, the director of the Center for Effective Public Management at the Brookings Institution. "They've wreaked havoc across nearly every agency." <u>Read more</u>

NBC News 6/25/25

Fired, rehired and fired again, some NOAA employees get letters demanding money

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6/14 KH - Good read Mike, for we all wonder how far he will try to go!

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