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MOUNT PLEASANT, WI - The Flint water crisis greatly concerns Ryan Solen. He knows a poisoned water supply has national implications. Residents are exposed to lead contamination daily because the Michigan state government did not comply with—or ignored—federal law.

On Wednesday, Senate Democrats and Republicans finally agreed on temporary funding for Flint as part of the Senate's bill to keep the government functioning until December 9.



Although **Paul Ryan** and House Minority Leader Pelosi came to an agreement to allocate $170 million to Flint, continued funding is not permanent. The matter will be addressed again when Congress returns after the General Election on November 8.

It is Paul Ryan's cavalier attitude toward Flint residents' health that is troubling.

On September 25, Paul Ryan appeared on Face The Nation. He said dismissively, "Flint has gotten some emergency spending. But there are a lot of cities that have lead pipes." At that time, Paul Ryan called the problem "more of a local government issue" and, when pressed by moderator John Dickerson for more details, the Speaker said he did not want to "get into the particulars about negotiations."

