



**Table 1: Legislative Checklist: Major Space-Related Legislation in the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress**

Bill	House			Senate			Conf. Report (Other)	Public Law No. /Date Signed
	Subcmte	Full Cmte	Passed	Subcmte	Full cmte	Passed		
<b>A. FY2013 Appropriations and Authorization Bills</b> (For a crosswalk showing which issues are covered in which appropriations bill, see table 2.)								
<a href="#">H.J. Res. 117</a> FY2013 Cont. Resolution (thru 3/27/13)			09/13/12			09/22/12		<a href="#">P.L. 112-175</a> 9/28/12
<a href="#">H.R. 1</a> Hurricane Sandy emerg suppl						12/28/12	No further action	
<a href="#">H.R. 8</a> American Taxpayer Relief (fiscal cliff avoidance)						01/01/13		P.L. 112-240 01/02/13
<a href="#">H.R. 5326</a> <a href="#">S. 2323</a> CJS Approps	04/19/12	04/26/12 <a href="#">H. Rept. 112-463</a>	05/10/12	04/17/12	04/19/12 <a href="#">S. Rept. 112-158</a>		No further action	
<a href="#">H.R. 5972</a> <a href="#">S. 2322</a> Transportation-HUD Approps	06/07/12	06/20/12 <a href="#">H. Rept. 112-541</a>	06/29/12	04/17/12	04/19/12 <a href="#">S. Rept. 112-157</a>		No further action	
<a href="#">H.R. 5325</a> <a href="#">S. 2465</a> Energy-Water Approps	04/18/12	04/25/12 <a href="#">H. Rept. 112-462</a>	06/06/12	04/24/12	04/26/12 <a href="#">S. Rept. 112-164</a>		No further action	
<a href="#">H.R. 5856</a> Defense Approps	05/08/12	05/17/12 <a href="#">H. Rept. 112-493</a>	07/19/12	07/31/12	08/02/12 <a href="#">S. Rept. 112-196</a>		No further action	
<a href="#">H.R. 4310</a> <a href="#">S. 3254</a> National Defense Auth Act	various	05/10/12 <a href="#">H. Rept. 112-479</a>	05/18/12	various	05/25/12 <a href="#">S. Rept. 112-173</a>	12/4/12	<a href="#">H. Rept. 112-705</a> passed H 12/20/12 passed S 12/21/12	P.L. 112-239 01/03/13

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<a href="#">H.R. 5743</a> <a href="#">S. 3454</a> Intelligence Auth		05/17/12 <a href="#">H. Rept. 112-490</a>	05/31/12		07/30/12 <a href="#">S. Rept. 112-92</a>	12/28/12	House agreed to Senate version 12/31/12	P.L. 112-277 01/14/13
<a href="#">H.R. 6091</a> Interior Approps		5/28/12 <a href="#">H. Rept. 112-589</a>		draft <a href="#">subcmte mark</a> 9/25/12			No further action	
<b>B. FY2012 Appropriations and Authorization Bills</b>								
<a href="#">H.R. 2112*</a> Ag, CJS, T-HUD Approps Minibus FY2012		See HR 2596, S 1596 below			See S 1572,S 1596 below	11/01/11	<a href="#">H. Rept. 112-284</a> 11/14/11 Passed H & S 11/17/11	<a href="#">P.L. 112-55</a> 11/18/11
<a href="#">H.R. 2055**</a> Milcon-VA and Consolidated Approps FY2012							<a href="#">H. Rept. 112-331</a> 12/16/11 Passed H 12/16/11 Passed S 12/17/11	<a href="#">P.L. 112-74</a> 12/23/11
<a href="#">H.R. 754/ S. 719</a> FY2011 Intel Authorization		<a href="#">H. Rept. 112-72</a> 05/03/11	05/13/11		<a href="#">S. Rept. 112-12</a> 04/04/11	Passed H.R. 754 05/26/11	N/A	<a href="#">P.L. 112-18</a> 06/08/11
<a href="#">H.R. 1540/ S. 1867†</a> FY2012 Defense Authorization	Subcmte Markups 05/03-04/11	<a href="#">H. Rept. 112-78</a> 05/17/11	05/26/11		<a href="#">S. Rept. 112-26†</a> 06/22/11	12/01/11	<a href="#">H. Rept. 112-329</a> 12/12/11 passed H 12/14/11 passed S 12/15/11	<a href="#">P.L. 112-81</a> 12/31/11
<a href="#">H.R. 1892/ S. 1458</a> FY2012 Intel Authorization		<a href="#">Marked up</a> 05/26/11 <a href="#">H. Rept 112-197</a> 09/02/11	09/09/11		<a href="#">S. Rept. 112-43</a> 08/01/11	12/14/11	House passed Senate version 12/16/11	<a href="#">P.L. 112-87</a> 01/03/12
<a href="#">H.R. 2219</a> FY2012 Defense Approps	Marked up 06/01/11	<a href="#">H. Rept. 112-110</a> 6/16/11	07/08/11	Marked up 09/13/11	<a href="#">S. Rept. 112-77</a> 09/15/11	See HR 2055	See HR 2055	<a href="#">P.L. 112-74</a> 12/23/11
<a href="#">H.R. 2354</a> FY2012 Energy- Water Approps	Marked up 06/02/11	<a href="#">H. Rept. 112-118</a> 06/24/11	07/15/11	Marked up 09/06/11	<a href="#">S. Rept. 111-75</a> 09/07/11	See HR 2055	See HR 2055	<a href="#">P.L. 112-74</a> 12/23/11
<a href="#">H.R. 2596/ S. 1572</a> FY2012 CJS Approps	Marked up 07/07/11	<a href="#">H. Rept. 112-169</a> 07/20/11	see H.R. 2112	Marked up 09/14/11	<a href="#">S. Rept. 112-78</a> 09/15/11	See HR 2112	See HR 2112	<a href="#">P.L. 112-55</a> 12/01/11

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<a href="#">HR. 2584</a> FY2012 Interior Approps	Marked up 07/07/11	<a href="#">H. Rept. 112-151</a> 07/19/11	Floor debate began 07/25/11			See HR 2112	See HR 2055	<a href="#">P.L. 112-74</a> 12/23/11
<a href="#">H.R. 2434</a> <a href="#">S. 1573</a> FY2012 Fin. Serv. approps	Marked up 06/16/11	<a href="#">H. Rept. 112-136</a> 07/07/11	See HR 2112	Marked up 09/14/11	<a href="#">S. Rept. 112-79</a> 09/15/11	See HR 2112	See HR 2055	<a href="#">P.L. 112-74</a> 12/23/11
<a href="#">S. 1596</a> Transportation- HUD approps	<a href="#">Marked up</a> 09/08/11		see H.R. 2112	Marked up 09/20/11	<a href="#">S. Rept. 112-83</a> 09/21/11	See HR 2112	See HR 2055	<a href="#">P.L. 112-55</a> 12/01/11
<a href="#">H.R. 658</a> FAA Reauthorization			04/01/11			04/07/11	<a href="#">H. Rept. 112-381</a> passed H 02/03/12 passed S 02/06/12	<a href="#">P.L. 112-95</a> 02/14/12
<b>C. SELECTED OTHER LEGISLATION IN THE 112<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS</b>								
<a href="#">H.R. 4158</a> (Hall) Astronaut Artifacts			09/19/12			09/22/12	N/A	<a href="#">P.L. 112-185</a> 10/05/12
<a href="#">H.R. 6491</a> (Culberson) Space Ldrship Preservation Act							No further action	
<a href="#">H.R. 6586</a> (Palazzo) 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Liability Extension <a href="#">S. 3661</a> (Nelson) Space Exploration Sustainability Act			11/13/12			01/01/13 (passed H.R. 6586, amended)	House agreed to Senate amendment 01/02/13	P.L. 112-273 01/14/13
<a href="#">H.R. 6612</a> (McCarthy) Rename Dryden FRC after Neil Armstrong			12/31/12				No further action	

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For an explanation of “authorization” versus “appropriation” and other legislative terminology see our [“What’s a Markup?”](#) Fact Sheet.

\*The Senate combined three FY2012 appropriations bills into one, colloquially called a “minibus” because it had fewer of the 12 appropriations bills in it than an “omnibus” bill. The three bills – Agriculture, Commerce-Justice-Science (CJS), and Transportation-HUD (T-HUD) – were considered under this House bill number for the Agriculture bill. The House never passed the individual CJS or T-HUD bills, but the two chambers agreed to conference on a final measure anyway. The CJS bill had been reported from the House committee, but the T-HUD bill was not. H.R.

2112 also contained a Continuing Resolution (CR) to keep the other government agencies operating until December 16, 2011.

\*\* The other nine FY2012 appropriations bills were combined into H.R. 2055, the FY2012 Military Construction, Veterans Affairs bill. Many of the individual bills were not passed by the House or Senate or reported from committee or even marked up at subcommittee level.

† The Senate Armed Services Committee reported S. 1253 on June 11, 2011 (S. Rept. 112-26). However, on November 15, 2011, it approved a different bill, S. 1867, and sent it to the Senate floor without a written report. In conference with the House, the House bill number – H.R. 1540 – was used.

**Table 2: Crosswalk of Space-Related Topics in FY2013 Appropriations Bills  
(alphabetically by title)**

Commerce-Justice-Science (CJS) H.R. 5326/S. 2323	Funding for NASA and NOAA space programs
Defense H.R. 5856	Funding for DOD and intelligence community space programs
Energy-Water H.R. 5325/S. 2465	Funding for Dept. of Energy’s space-related activities, including development of radioisotope power sources for NASA probes in FY2012 (there is no request for RPSs in the FY2013 DOE budget)
Interior-Environment H.R. 6091	Funding for USGS’s satellite activities including its role in the Landsat program
Transportation-Housing & Urban Dev. H.R. 5972/S. 2322	Funding for the FAA’s Office of Commercial Space Transportation

**Committees of Jurisdiction** for bills listed or expected to be listed in this fact sheet  
(see their websites or [Thomas](#) for more detailed information on legislative action)

- DOD Authorization: [House Armed Services Committee](#), [Senate Armed Services Committee](#). The Strategic Forces Subcommittee has jurisdiction over most space programs.
- Defense Appropriations: [House Appropriations Committee](#), [Senate Appropriations Committee](#). The Defense Subcommittee has jurisdiction over most space programs.
- DOE Appropriations: [House Appropriations Committee](#), [Senate Appropriations Committee](#). The Energy and Water Development Subcommittee has jurisdiction over the Department of Energy (DOE). DOE produces radioisotope power systems used by NASA for certain space science missions and provides the plutonium-238 fuel for them. It also cooperates with NASA on certain high energy physics missions such as Fermi (formerly GLAST).
- FAA Office of Commercial Space Transportation authorization: [House Science, Space and Technology Committee](#); [Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee](#).
- FAA Office of Commercial Space Transportation appropriations: [House Appropriations Committee](#), [Senate Appropriations Committee](#). The Transportation-Housing and Urban Development (T-HUD) Subcommittee has jurisdiction over FAA.
- Intelligence Authorization: [House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence](#), [Senate Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence](#). (Appropriations for the Intelligence Community are included in the defense appropriations bill.)
- NASA Authorization: [House Science, Space and Technology Committee](#); [Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee](#). The House SS&T Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics and the Senate Commerce Subcommittee on Science and Space have jurisdiction over NASA programs. The House SS&T Subcommittee on Energy and Environment and the Senate Commerce Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard have jurisdiction over NOAA.
- NASA Appropriations: [House Appropriations Committee](#), [Senate Appropriations Committee](#). The Commerce, Justice, Science (CJS) Subcommittee has jurisdiction over NASA programs.
- NOAA Appropriations: [House Appropriations Committee](#), [Senate Appropriations Committee](#). The Commerce, Justice, Science (CJS) Subcommittee has jurisdiction over programs of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA, part of the Department of Commerce). NOAA is responsible for civil weather satellites and other operational earth observation satellites.
- USGS Appropriations: [House Appropriations Committee](#), [Senate Appropriations Committee](#). The Interior and Environment Subcommittee has jurisdiction over the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), part of the Department of the Interior. USGS for many years has managed archiving and distribution of imagery from the Landsat series of satellites.