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Legislative Checklist 119th Congress: Major Space-Related Legislation

(see notes at end of table, **Bills of special interest highlighted in green**)

Bill	House		Senate		Conf. Rpt./ Comments	Pub. Law #/ Date Signed
	Committee	Floor	Committee	Floor		
FY2027 APPROPRIATIONS						
H.R. 6500 FY2027 CR thru Dec 11, 2026		Passed 09/01/26		Passed 08/08/26		P. L. 119-103 09/02/26
H.R. 8845 (Rogers) FY2027 CJS Approps	Approved 05/15/26 H. Rept. 119-652					
H.R. 9495 (Calvert) FY2027 Defense Approps	Approved 06/24/26 H. Rept. 119-715					
FY2026 APPROPRIATIONS						
H.R. 7148 (Cole) FY2026 Defense, Labor-HHS, THUD minibus		Passed 01/22/26		Passed (amended) 01/30/26	H passed S version (w/o DHS) 02/03/26	P.L 119-75 02/03/26
H.R. 6938 (Cole) FY2026 CJS, E+W, Interior minibus		Passed 01/08/26		Passed 01/15/26	Compromise final bill released 01/05/26	P.L. 119-74 01/23/26
H.R. 5371 (Cole) FY2026 CR thru Jan 30 2026		Passed 09/19/25 (w/Nov 21 expiration)		Failed 14 times, then passed 11/10/25 w/Jan 30 expiration and incl MilCon-VA, Ag + Leg Branch FY2026 bills	House agreed to Senate bill 11/12/25 ending 43 day govt shutdown	P.L. 119-37 11/12/25

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H.R. 4016 (Calvert) S. 2572 (McConnell) FY2026 Defense Approp	Approved 06/12/2025 H. Rept. 119-162	Passed 07/18/25	Approved 07/31/25 S. Rept. 119-52	Cloture vote failed 10/16/25		
H.R. 5342 (H. Rogers)/ S. 2384 (Moran) FY2026 CJS Approp	Approved 09/10/25 H. Rept. 119-272		Approved 07/17/25 S. Rept. 119-44		See H.R. 6938	
H.R. 4552 (Womack)/ S. 2465 (Hyde-Smith) FY2026 Transportation-HUD Approp (FAA)	Approved 07/17/25 H. Rept. 119-212		Approved 07/24/25 S. Rept. 119-47			
H.R.1968 (Cole) FY2025 Full-Year CR thru 09/30/25		Passed 03/11/25		Passed 03/14/25		P.L. 119-4 03/15/25
AUTHORIZATIONS						
H.R. 8800 (Rogers) S. 4784 (Wicker) FY2027 Natl Defense Auth Act (NDAA)	Approved 06/04/26 H. Rept. 119-698	Passed 07/22/26	Reported 06/15/26 S. Rept. 119-127			
H.R. 7273 (Babin) S. 933 (Cruz) 2025/2026 NASA Authorization	Approved 02/04/26		Approved 03/04/26			
H.R. 3838 (M. Rogers)/ S. 2296 (Wicker) S. 1071 (see conf note) FY2026 Natl Defense Auth Act (NDAA)	Approved 07/15/25 H. Rept. 119-231	H.R. 3838 Passed 09/10/25	Approved 07/11/25 S. Rept. 119-39	S. 2296 Passed 10/10/25	*S. 1071 was legislative vehicle for final NDAA* Passed H 12/10/25 Passed S 12/17/25	P.L. 119-60 12/18/25
H.R. 5167 (Crawford) S. 2342 (Cotton) FY2026 Intelligence Auth	Approved 09/10/25		Approved 07/29/25 S. Rept. 119-511		Incorporated into the NDAA	

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SELECTED OTHER LEGISLATION						
H.R. 1 (Arrington) **One Big Beautiful Bill** (reconciliation) *Later renamed Working Families Tax Cut Act*		**Passed 05/22/25**		**Passed 07/01/25**	**House passed Senate version 07/03/25**	**P.L 119-21 07/04/25**
H.R. 108 (Biggs) **Space Research Innovation Act**						
H.R. 527 (Pettersen) **Strengthening Wildfire Resiliency Through Satellites**						
H.R. 1154 (Calvert) **Space Infrastructure Act**						
H.R. 1618 (Latta) **Precision Ag Satellite Connectivity**	**Full cmte approved 04/04/25**	**Passed 07/14/25**				
H.R. 1325 (Lucas) **Cmrcl Remote Sensing Amendment Act**	**[Reintroduced from 118th Congress, H.R. 290, passed House 01/30/23]**	**Passed 03/24/25**				
H.R. 1368 (Begich)/ S. 3029 (Sullivan) **DOE & NASA Interagency Coord**	**[Reintroduced from 118th Congress, H.R. 2988, passed House 12/04/23]**	**Passed 03/24/25**			Incorporated into H.R. 7273, NASA Auth	
H.R. 2210 (Lofgren) **Saving NASA's Workforce**						
H.R. 2313 (McClennan) **Celestial Time Standardization**	**[Reintroduced from 118th Congress, H.R. 8958] Approved 04/29/25**					
H.R. 2422 (Donalds)/ S. 1013 (Moody) Move NASA HQ to FL						

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H.R. 2458 (Pallone) S. 1962 (Fischer) Secure Space Act	[Reintroduced from 118th Congress, H.R. 675] Approved 04/08/25	Passed 04/28/25	Reported 09/14/26 S. Rept. 119-138	Passed 09/23/26		
H.R. 2600 (Hurd)/ S. 1437 (Hickenlooper) ASCEND Act NASA to buy cmrcl remote sensing imagery	[Reintroduced from 118th Congress, H.R. 8958] Approved 04/29/25 H. Rept. 119-502	Passed 02/23/26	Approved 04/30/25 S. Rept. 119-68	Passed 12/09/25		
H.R. 2984 (Babin)/ S. 582 (Cruz) Astro Act/Astronaut Ground Travel Support	[Reintroduced from 118th Congress] Approved 04/29/25		Approved 03/12/25 S. Rept. 119-82			
H.R. 3142 (Dunn)/ S. 1560 (Moody) Secure US Ldrshp in Space (re spaceports)					Incorporated into H.R. 1, reconciliation	
H.R. 6638 (Foushee) Space Resources Inst	[Reintroduced from 118th]					
S. 428 (Cornyn) SAFE ORBIT Act			Approved 03/12/25 S. Rept. 119-65			
S. 434 (Peters) Space Cmrc Adv Cmte Act			Approved 06/25/25 S. Rept. 119-87	Passed 08/06/26		
S. 435 (Sullivan) IRONDOME Act					Superseded by S. 2142	
S. 980 (Warner) Alleviating Spaceport Traffic by Rewarding Operators						
S. 1081 (Cruz) Comprehensive NASA Reporting Act			Approved 04/30/25 S. Rept. 119-62			
S. 1403 (Cornyn)/ H.R. 4065 (Weber) Transfer Space Shuttle Discovery to Texas					Incorporated into H.R. 1, reconciliation	

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S. 1457 (Wicker) Maintain Federal Rocket Prop Tstng Capabilities					H.R. 1 incl funding for this	
S. 1479 (Wicker) Modernize Federal Rocket Prop Tstng Sites					H.R. 1 incl funding for this	
S. 1722 (Cornyn) Mission to MARS (JSC infrastructure)					H.R. 1 incl funding for this	
S. 1961 (Cornyn) LAUNCH Act (regulatory reform)						
S. 2142 (Sullivan) Golden Dome Act						
S. Res. 302 (Kelly) Asteroid Day 2025						
S. 2351 (Cruz) Space Expl Research (NASA Lease Authority)			Approved 07/30/25 S. Rept. 119-117			
S. 3404 (Peters) Satellite Cybersecurity			Reported 09/14/26 S. Rept. 119-141	Passed 09/23/26		
S. 3639 (Cruz) H.R. 8255 (Guthrie) Satellite & Telecom Streamlining Act	Approved 09/16/26		Approved 02/12/26			

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This is not a comprehensive list. It shows selected bills on which action appears likely or otherwise are of special interest. Historical versions of this fact sheet are available on SpacePolicyOnline.com for the 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th , 115th, 116th, 117th and 118th Congresses. Congresses begin on January 3 every other year so the 111th Congress, for example, was January 3, 2009-January 3, 2011. The others were 2011-2013, 2013-2015, 2015-2017, 2017-2019, 2019-2021, 2021-2023, and 2023-2025. respectively.

For an explanation of the difference between an authorization and an appropriation, see our "What's a Markup" Fact Sheet.

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"Ord. Rpt." means the bill was "ordered reported" from the committee -- the committee approved it and ordered that it be reported to the House or Senate, but the report has not been filed yet, so there is no report number. "**Skld**" – scheduled. **N/A** – no action or not applicable.
NDAA is the National Defense Authorization Act. **E&C** is the House Energy and Commerce Committee. **CJS** is the Commerce-Justice-Science appropriations bill that includes NASA and NOAA. **THUD** is the Transportation-HUD appropriations bill that includes the FAA and its Office of Commercial Space Transportation.

TABLE 2: CROSSWALK OF SPACE-RELATED TOPICS IN APPROPRIATIONS BILLS

Commerce-Justice-Science (CJS)	Funding for NASA and NOAA (the Office of Space Commerce is part of NOAA), plus National Space Council if applicable
Defense	Funding for DOD and Intelligence Community, including U.S. Space Force and U.S. Space Command
Financial Services-General Government	Funding for the Federal Communications Commission
Interior-Environment	Funding for USGS (part of Dept. of Interior), which operates Landsat
Transportation-Housing and Urban Development (THUD)	Funding for FAA's Office of Commercial Space Transportation (FAA is part of Dept. of Transportation)

Committees of Jurisdiction for bills listed or expected to be listed in this fact sheet
(*see their websites or Congress.gov 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.

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, of which the Office of Commercial Space Transportation is part.

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Federal Communications Commission (FCC) authorization: House Energy and Commerce Committee; Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee (bills related to satellite spectrum)

FCC Appropriations: House Appropriations Committee, Senate Appropriations Committee. The Financial Services and General Government subcommittee has jurisdiction over the FCC.

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 Space and Science have jurisdiction over NASA. The House SS&T Subcommittee on Environment and the Senate Commerce Subcommittee on Oceans, Fisheries, Climate Change and Manufacturing 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 NOAA, which is part of the Department of Commerce.

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