



Legislative Checklist 116th Congress: Major Space-Related Legislation

(see notes at end of table, [ACTIVE bills of special interest highlighted in green](#))

Bill	House			Senate			Conf. Rpt./ Other	Pub. Law #/ Date Signed
	Sbcmte	Full Cmte	Passed	Sbcmte	Full Cmte	Passed		
APPROPRIATIONS								
FY2021 Appropriations								
H.R. 133 FY2021 Consolidated Approps/COVID			12/21/20			12/21/20		P.L. 116-260 12/27/20
H.R. 1520 CR thru Dec 28			12/21/20			12/21/20		P.L. 116-246 12/22/20
H.J. Res. 110 CR thru Dec 21			12/20/20			12/20/20		P.L. 116-226 12/20/20
H. J. Res. 107 CR thru Dec 20			12/18/20			12/18/20		P.L. 116-225 12/18/20
H.R. 8900 CR thru Dec 18			12/09/20			12/11/20		P.L. 116-215 12/11/20
H.R. 8337 CR thru Dec 11			09/22/20			09/30/20	--	P.L. 116-159 10/01/20

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<u>H.R. 7667</u> CJS	07/08/20	07/14/20 H. Rpt. 116-455	See H.R. 7617			No Senate sbcmte, full cmte or floor action	Incorporated into H.R. 133	See H.R. 133
<u>H.R. 7617</u> Minibus incl Defense, CJS, THUD + 4 more	07/08/20	07/14/20 H. Rpt. 116-453	07/31/20			No Senate sbcmte, full cmte, or floor action	Incorporated into H.R. 133	See H.R. 133
<u>H.R. 7616</u> THUD	07/08/20	07/14/20 H. Rpt. 116-452	See H.R. 7617			No Senate sbcmte, full cmte, or floor action	Incorporated into H.R. 133	See H.R. 133
FY 2020 Appropriations								
<u>H.R. 1158</u> <u>FY2020</u> <u>Consolidated</u> <u>Approps (incl</u> <u>Defense, CJS)</u>			12/17/19			12/19/19		P.L. 116-93 12/20/19
<u>H.R. 1865</u> <u>FY2020 Further</u> <u>Consolidated</u> <u>Approps (incl</u> <u>THUD)</u>			12/17/19			12/19/19		P.L. 116-94 12/20/19
<u>H.R. 3055</u> <u>CR thru Dec 20</u>			After removing all previous provisions and substituting CR language passed 11/19/19			Passed 11/21/19		P.L. 116-69 11/21/19
<u>H.R. 4378</u> <u>CR thru Nov 21</u>			Passed 09/19/19			Passed 09/26/19		P.L. 116-59 09/28/19
<u>H.R. 3877</u> Bipartisan Budget Act			Passed 07/25/19			Passed 08/01/19		P.L. 116-37 08/02/19
<u>H.R. 2740</u> <u>Minibus 1, incl</u> <u>FY2020 Defense</u>			Minibus 1, incl Defense, passed 06/20/19	approved 09/10/19	S. Rpt. 116-103 09/12/19			Final action on Defense budget was in H.R. 1158

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<u>H.R. 3055/</u> <u>S 2584</u> FY2020 CJS	CJS approved 05/17/19	CJS: H Rpt 116-101 06/03/19	Passed 06/25/19 [CJS, THUD, Ag, Interior, Milcon-VA Minibus 2] H.R. 3055 bill number later used instead for 2 nd CR	CJS approved 09/24/19	CJS S Rpt 116-127 09/26/19	Passed 10/31/19 [CJS, THUD, Ag, Interior Minibus 2] H.R. 3055 bill number later used instead for 2 nd CR		Final action on CJS was in H.R.1158
<u>H.R. 2968/</u> <u>S. 2474</u> FY2020 Defense	approved 05/15/19	H. Rpt. 116-84 05/23/19	see H.R. 2740	approved 09/10/19	S. Rpt. 116-1031 09/12/19			Final action was in H.R. 1158
<u>H.R. 3163/</u> <u>S. 2520</u> FY2020 THUD	approved 05/23/19	H. Rpt. 116-106 on HR 3163 06/06/19	incorporated into H.R. 3055 before that bill became 2 nd CR	approved 09/17/19	S. Rpt. 116-109 on S 2520 09/19/19	incorporated into H.R. 3055 before that bill became 2 nd CR		Final action on THUD was in H.R. 1895
FY 2019 Appropriations								
<u>H. J. Res. 31,</u> Consolidated Approps (incl CJS, THUD) ¹	--	--	02/14/19	--	--	02/14/19		P.L. 116-6 02/15/19

AUTHORIZATIONS

FY2021 or CY2020

<u>H.R. 6395, S. 4049 FY2021 NDAA</u>	Approved 06/23/20	Approved 07/01/20	Passed 07/21/20	Approved 6/10/20	Approved 6/11/20	Passed 07/23/20	Conf Rpt on HR 6395 (H. Rpt 116-617) passed H 12/08/20 Passed S 12/11/20	Vetoed 12/23/20 House overrode veto 12/28/20 Senate overrode veto 01/01/21 P.L. 116-283
<u>H.R. 5666 2020 NASA Authorization</u>	Approved 1/29/20							
<u>S. 2800 2019 NASA Auth [amended to 2020]</u>					Approved 11/13/19 S. Rpt. 116-262 09/08/20	Amended version (2020 NASA Auth) passed 12/18/20		
<u>FY2021 Intelligence Auth</u>							Included in FY2021 Consolidated Approps (HR 133)	

FY2020 or CY2019

<u>H.R. 2500/ S. 1790 FY2020 NDAA</u>	Strategic Forces 06/04/19	H. Rpt. 116-120 06/19/19	Passed 07/12/19	05/20-21/19	S. Rpt. 116-48 06/11/2019	Passed 06/27/19	Conf Rpt on S. 1790 (H. Rpt 116-333) 12/09/19 Passed H 12/11/19 Passed S 12/17/19	P.L. 116-92 12/20/19
<u>S. 1589/ H.R. 3494 Intel Auth</u>	--	H. Rpt. 116-161 07/11/19	Passed 07/17/19	--	S. Rpt. 116-47 06/11/2019	Senate-passed S. 1790 inc into S. 1589		

Selected Other Legislation

<u>H.R. 1396/S. 590</u> Hidden Figures Cong Gold Medal			Passed 09/19/19			H.R. 1396 passed 10/17/19 S. 590 passed 03/27/19		P.L. 116-68 11/08/19
<u>S. 239</u> Christa McAuliffe Coin			Passed 09/19/19			Passed 07/09/19		P.L. 116-65 10/09/19
<u>S. 584</u> Advancing Human Spfl Act								
<u>S. 881</u> Space Wx Res and Forecasting			09/16/20		Apprvd 04/03/19 S. Rpt. 116-171 12/11/19	07/27/20	S passed S 881 amended, which then passed H	P.L. 116-181 10/21/20
<u>H.R. 5260</u> Promoting Space Wx to Improve Forecasting		Approved 01/09/20	See S. 881					See S. 881
<u>S. 919</u> Space Frontier Act of 2019					Apprvd 04/03/19 S. Rpt. 116-172 12/11/19			
<u>H.R. 3610</u> Amer Space Cmrc Free Entrpz Act								
<u>H.R. 5470</u> US Ldrshp in Space								
<u>S. 1694/ H.R. 3766</u> One Small Step to Protect Human Heritage in Space			S. 1694 passed 12/16/20 (amended)		Approved 07/10/19 S. Rpt. 116-194 01/06/20	Passed 07/18/19 (amended)	S agreed to H amendment 12/19/20	P.L. 116-275 12/31/20
<u>S. 2909</u> NASA Extended Use Leasing Extension					Approved 12/11/2019			Included in THUD section of P.L. 116-94
<u>S. 4827</u> SPACE Act (Space Sit Awareness)					Approved 11/18/20			

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For an explanation of the difference between an authorization and an appropriation, see our [“What’s a Markup”](#) Fact Sheet.

“**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

Note 1. In an attempt to end the government shutdown which was ongoing when the 116th Congress convened, House Democrats initially passed the Senate versions of seven FY2019 appropriations bills that did not clear the 115th Congress. On January 3, the first day of the new Congress, they passed six of them merged into a single “consolidated” appropriations bill, H.R. 21. It includes the Commerce-Justice-Science (CJS) bill that funds NASA and NOAA and the Transportation-HUD (THUD) bill that funds FAA’s Office of Commercial Space Transportation. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell refused to bring it up in the Senate because he knew President Trump would not sign it. The House then proceeded to pass the Senate version of the FY2019 THUD bill (and other bills, but not CJS) separately, hoping the Senate might take them up piecemeal. HR. 267 is the Senate-passed version of the FY2019 THUD bill from last year. These bills became irrelevant after Congress passed H.J. Res. 31, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, so no longer are included in this fact sheet.

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
Defense	Funding for DOD and Intelligence Community
Interior-Environment	Funding for USGS (part of Dept. of Interior), which operates Landsat
Transportation-Housing and Urban Development (T-HUD)	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 national security space programs.

Defense Appropriations: [House Appropriations Committee](#), [Senate Appropriations Committee](#). The Defense Subcommittee has jurisdiction over most national security 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.

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 Aviation and Space have jurisdiction over NASA programs. The House SS&T Subcommittee on Environment and the Senate Commerce Subcommittee on Sciences, Oceans, Fisheries and Weather 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.