HR 321

Inspiring the Next Space Pioneers, Innovators, Researchers, and Explorers (INSPIRE) Women Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Feb 1, 2017
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 5, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 42	Identical bill	**Jan 5, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Summary (as of Feb 28, 2017)

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The expanded summary of the House passed version is repeated here.)

Inspiring the Next Space Pioneers, Innovators, Researchers, and Explorers (INSPIRE) Women Act

(Sec. 3) This bill directs the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) to encourage women and girls to study science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), pursue careers in aerospace, and further advance the nation's space science and exploration efforts through support of the following initiatives:

- NASA GIRLS and NASA BOYS;
- Aspire to Inspire; and
- Summer Institute in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Research.

(Sec. 4) NASA shall submit to Congress a specified plan on how NASA can best facilitate and support both current and retired astronauts, scientists, engineers, and innovators, including early career female astronauts, scientists, engineers, and innovators, to engage with K-12 female STEM students and inspire the next generation of women to consider participating in STEM fields and to pursue careers in aerospace.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 28, 2017:** Signed by President.
- **Feb 28, 2017:** Became Public Law No: 115-7.
- **Feb 16, 2017:** Presented to President.
- **Feb 15, 2017:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Feb 14, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote.(consideration: CR S1163)
- **Feb 14, 2017:** Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote. (consideration: CR S1163)
- **Feb 1, 2017:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Thune without amendment. Without written report.
- **Feb 1, 2017:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 6.
- **Jan 24, 2017:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jan 11, 2017:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **Jan 10, 2017:** Mrs. Comstock moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jan 10, 2017:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H270-273)
- **Jan 10, 2017:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 321.
- **Jan 10, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H270)
- **Jan 10, 2017:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H270)
- **Jan 10, 2017:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 5, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 5, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

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