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

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Heller, Dean [R-NV]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** NV • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

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Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 5, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

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### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 321	Identical bill	<b>Feb 28, 2017:</b> Became Public Law No: 115-7.

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

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.

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**

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