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SPACE Act of 2020

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Markup By	Nov 18, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Space Preservation And Conjunction Emergency Act of 2020 or the SPACE Act of 2020

This bill modifies requirements for the Office of Space Commerce and renames the office as the Bureau of Space Commerce.

The bureau shall be headed by an Assistant Secretary for Space Commerce, to be appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Assistant Secretary shall report directly to the Secretary of Commerce.

The bill expands the bureau's responsibilities to include (1) overseeing the issuing of licenses for land remote sensing activities, and (2) coordinating Commerce policy affecting commercial space activities and working with other executive agencies to promote policies that advance commercial space activities.

The bureau may provide space situational awareness data, information, and services to, and may obtain space situational awareness data, information, and services from, non-United States government entities in accordance with this bill.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 18, 2020:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Oct 21, 2020:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 21, 2020:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.