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Advancing Human Spaceflight Act of 2021

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This bill establishes programs and policies pertaining to human presence in space.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) shall

- establish a program to develop next-generation space suits and associated technologies,
- establish an outpost in orbit around the Moon as described in this bill, and
- submit a plan for achieving a power supply on the Moon.

The bill declares that it is U.S. policy to continuously maintain the capability for a continuous human presence in low-Earth orbit through and beyond the useful life of the International Space Station (ISS) and that such capability shall

- maintain U.S. global leadership and relations with partners and allies,
- contribute to the general welfare of the United States, and
- leverage commercial capabilities to promote affordability so as not to preclude a robust portfolio of other human space exploration activities.

NASA shall ensure that the ISS remains a viable and productive facility capable of potential U.S. use through at least FY2030.

NASA must submit a strategy that includes how it will transition to a successor platform to the ISS.

The Office of Science and Technology Policy shall conduct a study on the manner in which NASA funds missions of national need.

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