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Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** Senate

State: WA

Service: 1993–2025 (including current term)

Most recent Congress: 119

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Biography

A Senator and a Representative from Washington. Born in Indianapolis, Ind. , October 13, 1958. Attended public schools in Indianapolis. B. A. , Miami University of Ohio 1980. Pursued an academic course at the Miami University European Center, Luxembourg. Public relations consultant. Washington State representative 1987-1993. Elected as a Democrat to the 103rd Congress (January 3, 1993-January 3, 1995). Unsuccessful candidate for reelection to the 104th Congress. Elected as a Democrat to the U. S. Senate on November 7, 2000, for the term commencing January 3, 2001. Reelected in 2006, 2012, 2018, and again in 2024 for the term ending January 3, 2031. Chair, Committee on Indian Affairs (One Hundred Thirteenth Congress [January 3, 2013-February 12, 2014]), Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship (One Hundred Thirteenth Congress [February 12, 2014-January 3, 2015]), Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (One Hundred Seventeenth and One Hundred Eighteenth Congresses).

Committee Memberships (Congress 119)

- Aviation, Space, and Innovation Subcommittee – Subcommittee Ex Officio
- Coast Guard, Maritime, and Fisheries Subcommittee – Subcommittee Ex Officio
- Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee – Standing Ranking
- Consumer Protection, Technology, and Data Privacy Subcommittee – Subcommittee Ex Officio
- Energy and Natural Resources Committee – Standing Member
- Energy, Natural Resources, and Infrastructure Subcommittee – Subcommittee Ranking
- Finance Committee – Standing Member
- Science, Manufacturing, and Competitiveness Subcommittee – Subcommittee Ex Officio
- Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee – Standing Member
- Surface Transportation, Freight, Pipelines, and Safety Subcommittee – Subcommittee Ex Officio
- Telecommunications and Media Subcommittee – Subcommittee Ex Officio

Legislative Activity (1993–2025)

Bills sponsored: 484

Bills cosponsored: 3415

Most Recent Sponsored Bills

| Bill | Title | Status / Last Action |
|---------------|---|--|
| 119 S 4802 | A bill to provide for the acquisition by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of aircraft for air, atmosphere, and weather reconnaissance and research missions, and for other purposes. | Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Updated Jun 17, 2026 |
| 119 S 1514 | Quinault Indian Nation Land Transfer Act | Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Updated Jun 3, 2026 |
| 119 S 1513 | Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe Project Lands Restoration Act | Committee on Indian Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably. Updated May 20, 2026 |
| 119 S 4471 | Transportation Fuel Market Transparency Act | Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Updated Apr 30, 2026 |
| 119 S 4311 | Consumer Protection Remedies Act of 2026 | Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Updated Apr 15, 2026 |

Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

| Bill | Title | Status / Last Action |
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| 119 SRES 789 | A resolution recognizing June 2026, as "LGBTQ Pride Month". | Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text: CR S3215-3216) Updated Jun 24, 2026 |
| 119 S 4919 | A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 and the Portal-to-Portal Act of 1947 to prevent wage theft and assist in the recovery of stolen wages, to authorize the Secretary of Labor to administer grants to prevent wage and hour violations, and for other purposes. | Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Updated Jun 24, 2026 |
| 119 S 4884 | A bill protecting the right to vote in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes. | Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. Updated Jun 24, 2026 |
| 119 SJRES 198 | A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services of the Department of Health and Human Services relating to "Medicare Program; Implementation of Prior Authorization for Select Services for the Wasteful and Inappropriate Services Reduction (WISeR) Model". | Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 447. Updated Jun 24, 2026 |
| 119 S 4668 | Protect College Sports Act of 2026 | Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 449. Updated Jun 24, 2026 |

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