



## Mr. Joe Wilson

**Party:** Republican • **Chamber:** House  
**State:** SC • **District:** 2  
**Service:** 2001–2025 (including current term)  
**Most recent Congress:** 119

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### Biography

A Representative from South Carolina. Born in Charleston, S. C. , July 31, 1947. Graduated from the High School of Charleston, Charleston, S. C. B. A. , Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va. , 1969. J. D. , University of South Carolina, Columbia, S. C. , 1972. United States Army Reserve, 1972-1975. South Carolina Army National Guard, 1975-2003. Lawyer, private practice. Deputy general counsel, United States Department of Energy, 1981-1982. Staff, United States Senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina. Staff, United States Representative Floyd Spence of South Carolina. Member of the South Carolina state senate, 1984-2001. Elected as a Republican to the One Hundred Seventh Congress, by special election, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of United States Representative Floyd Spence, and reelected to the twelve succeeding Congresses (December 18, 2001-present). Reprimanded by the U. S. House of Representatives, on September 15, 2009, for interrupting President's remarks before a Joint Session which was a "breach of decorum and degraded the proceedings" of the Joint Session.

### Committee Memberships (Congress 119)

- Armed Services Committee – Standing
- Education and Workforce Committee – Standing
- Foreign Affairs Committee – Standing
- Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions Subcommittee – Subcommittee
- Higher Education and Workforce Development Subcommittee – Subcommittee
- Readiness Subcommittee – Subcommittee
- Strategic Forces Subcommittee – Subcommittee

### Legislative Activity (2001–2025)

**Bills sponsored:** 326

**Bills cosponsored:** 4642

## Most Recent Sponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
119 HR 7724	No Waivers for Fraud Act	Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 20 - 15. Updated Mar 5, 2026
119 HR 7668	Countering China's Control of the Caucasus Act	Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. Updated Feb 24, 2026
119 HR 7415	HARM Act 2.0	Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for Updated Feb 9, 2026
119 HR 5835	REPO Implementation Act of 2025	Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. Updated Oct 24, 2025
119 HR 5793	Eastern Flank Strategic Partnership Act of 2025	Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, fo Updated Oct 17, 2025

## Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
119 HR 7720	Child Care Payment Integrity and Fraud Accountability Act	Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 19 - 15. Updated Mar 5, 2026
119 HR 7807	To authorize the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States to process claims against the Government of Honduras related to the expropriation of property of United States persons.	Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. Updated Mar 4, 2026
119 HR 1181	Protecting Privacy in Purchases Act	Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 447. Updated Feb 25, 2026
119 HRES 1082	Recognizing 250 years of Polish-American friendship and reaffirming the interest of the United States of America in the democracy, sovereignty, prosperity, and security of Poland.	Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, fo Updated Feb 25, 2026
119 HR 1078	Respect State Housing Laws Act	Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 446. Updated Feb 25, 2026