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At a Glance

Over the last seven days (Jul 6, 2026 – Jul 12, 2026), Congress introduced new bills, moved measures through committees, took floor votes, and enacted some into law. This page pulls those signals together in one place.

Bills introduced	55
Bills with actions recorded	64
Laws enacted	0
Recorded floor votes	0
Committee activity records	72

All counts are based on official congressional data, assembled and normalized by LegiList.

Bill of the Week

HR 9591

Extreme Temperatures Injustice in Prisons Act of 2026

Chamber: House
Current status: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce,
Last recorded action: Jul 6, 2026
Actions in this window: 12

View the full bill history, actions, subjects, and vote links on LegiList: https://legilist.com/bill/119/hr/9591

Legislator of the Week

Eleanor Holmes Norton

Party: Democratic • **State:** DC • **Chamber:** House

Activity score (7 days): 18 (3× sponsored, 2× cosponsored, 1× votes recorded)

Bills sponsored this week: 2 • **Bills cosponsored:** 6 • **Votes cast:** 0

Recently sponsored bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last action
HR 9597	Civil War Defenses of Washington National Historical Park Act	Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. Last action: Jul 6, 2026
HR 9598	No Fencing at Lafayette Square Act	Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. Last action: Jul 6, 2026

Recently cosponsored bills

Bill	Title	Status
HR 138	Lowering Costs for Caregivers Act of 2025	Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
HR 7998	BRIDGE Act	Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
HRES 1384	Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Congress must urgently take all appropriate measures to guarantee civil rights and fair political representation to all Americans.	Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
HR 9639	To amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to restore the impaired credit of victims of predatory activities and unfair consumer reporting practices, to expand access to tools to protect vulnerable consumers from identity theft, fraud, or a related crime, and protect victims from further harm, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.
HR 9090	Advancing Menopause Care and Mid-Life Women's Health Act	Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Committee of the Week

Energy and Commerce Committee

Chamber: House • **Activity records this week:** 20

Recent bill activity

Bill	Activity	Date
HR 9632 To better coordinate Federal efforts to utilize advance technologies, such as AI, to improve diagnoses, treatments, cures, and prevention strategies for pediatric cancer, and for other purposes.	Referred To	Jul 9, 2026
HR 9638 Sunshine for Our Kids Act of 2026	Referred To	Jul 9, 2026
HR 9629 To require an assessment of the environmental and public health effects of data centers, and for other purposes.	Referred To	Jul 9, 2026
HR 9617 To amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to coordinate a National Critical Mineral Recovery Strategy, and for other purposes.	Referred To	Jul 9, 2026
HR 9619 To require artificial intelligence chatbot providers to provide data privacy and security, and for other purposes.	Referred To	Jul 9, 2026
HR 9618 To amend the Clean Air Act to preserve regulatory stability for motor vehicles, motor vehicle engines, nonroad vehicles, and nonroad engines, and for other purposes.	Referred To	Jul 9, 2026

Noteworthy Votes

No floor votes were recorded in the last seven days.

Bill Activity by Stage

Other actions

Bill	Title	Status / Last action
HR 8770	SAFEGUARDS Act of 2026	Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 641. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 7574	ELO Realignment and Strategic Engagement Reform Act of 2026	Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 640. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9608	To ensure the Department of Health and Human Services will manage family engagement programs for elementary and secondary education, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Education and Workforce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HRES 1421	Impeaching Sparkle L. Sooknanan, a Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, for high crimes and misdemeanors.	Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9637	Protecting Columbia River Salmon Act of 2026	Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9610	To ensure the Secretary of Labor will manage elementary and secondary education programs, and for other purposes.	Referred to the Committee on Education and Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9626	To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the State and local tax deduction marriage penalty.	Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9639	To amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to restore the impaired credit of victims of predatory activities and unfair consumer reporting practices, to expand access to tools to protect vulnerable consumers from identity theft, fraud, or a related crime, and protect victims from further harm, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9638	Sunshine for Our Kids Act of 2026	Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HRES 1422	Congratulating the New York Knicks on winning the 2026 National Basketball Association Finals.	Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9625	To require the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to establish a Freedom to Build designation for certain localities.	Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9632	To better coordinate Federal efforts to utilize advance technologies, such as AI, to improve diagnoses, treatments, cures, and prevention strategies for pediatric cancer, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9620	To direct the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress a plan for the deployment of Airborne Collision Avoidance System-X.	Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9622	To require NASA to conduct a study on the modernization of aeronautical standards, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9615	To support the recycling and recovery of lithium-ion batteries.	Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026

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HR 9634	Voter Choice Act	Referred to the House Committee on House Administration. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9619	To require artificial intelligence chatbot providers to provide data privacy and security, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9617	To amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to coordinate a National Critical Mineral Recovery Strategy, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9618	To amend the Clean Air Act to preserve regulatory stability for motor vehicles, motor vehicle engines, nonroad vehicles, and nonroad engines, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9606	To ensure that the Secretary of Health and Human Services will manage all functions related to child care access for low-income parents in postsecondary education, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Education and Workforce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9633	To amend section 301 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to clarify those classes of individuals born in the United States who are not nationals or citizens of the United States at birth.	Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9640	Earth MRI Reauthorization Act of 2026	Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9602	To ensure the Department of State will manage all foreign gift and contract reporting done under section 117 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Education and Workforce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9627	To award a Congressional Gold Medal to the Hmong people, in recognition of their highly distinguished service in the Vietnam war and the fight against communism.	Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on House Administr Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9609	To ensure the Department of Treasury will manage all federal student loans, federal student debt, and policies regarding student aid eligibility, and for other purposes.	Referred to the Committee on Education and Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9611	To ensure the Department of Labor will manage certain postsecondary education programs, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Education and Workforce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HJRES 201	Designating an official residence for the Speaker of the House of Representatives.	Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on House Administratio Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9607	To ensure the Department of Labor will manage programs within the Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Education and Workforce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9603	To ensure the Department of State will manage all international education and foreign language studies programs under Title VI of the Higher Education Act, as well as all Fulbright-Hays fellowships and scholarships, and for other purposes.	Referred to the Committee on Education and Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Af Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 8168	Major Non-NATO Ally Terror Threat Assessment Act	Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 642. Last action: Jul 9, 2026

Bill	Title	Status / Last action
HR 9631	To conserve global bear populations by prohibiting the importation, exportation, and interstate trade of bear viscera and bear viscera products, and for other purposes.	Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9616	To establish a program for the recovery of critical materials from contaminated sites, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9605	To ensure the Department of Health and Human Services will manage accreditation for foreign medical schools, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Education and Workforce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9621	To amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow for the taking of pinnipeds on the Columbia River, its tributaries, and the waters of the State of Washington to protect species of salmon listed as endangered species or threatened species and other nonlisted species of fish, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9614	To amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to provide compensation authority for certain career appointees, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9635	Getting Innovations to Patients During Shutdowns Act	Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9628	To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 regarding the use of TEACH grants, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Education and Workforce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9624	To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2027 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9612	To amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to update the licensing procedures for uranium enrichment facilities to enable the timely, safe deployment of such facilities, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026
HR 9630	To direct the Energy Information Administration to conduct an analysis and publish a report on changes in the principal electricity cost components reflected in retail electricity bills for residential customers and small business customers in each State, and for other purposes.	Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. Last action: Jul 9, 2026

What Congress Focused On

Based on bills that moved in the last seven days, these subjects appeared most often:

Congressional oversight (2) Crime and Law Enforcement (2) Health (2) Transportation and Public Works (2) Advanced technology and technological innovations (1) Advisory bodies (1) Armed Forces and National Security (1) Computer security and identity theft (1) Computers and information technology (1) Constitution and constitutional amendments (1)

Counts reflect distinct bills with actions this week that were tagged with each subject.

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