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At a Glance

Over the last seven days (Aug 3, 2026 – Aug 9, 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	283
Bills with actions recorded	381
Laws enacted	0
Recorded floor votes	14
Committee activity records	396

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

Bill of the Week

HR 6500

Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2027

Chamber: House
Current status: Cloture motion on the measure presented in Senate. (CR S4449)
Last recorded action: Aug 5, 2026
Actions in this window: 32

View the full bill history, actions, subjects, and vote links on LegiList: https://legilist.com/bill/119/hr/6500

Legislator of the Week

David McCormick

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

Activity score (7 days): 153 (3× sponsored, 2× cosponsored, 1× votes recorded)

Bills sponsored this week: 5 • **Bills cosponsored:** 62 • **Votes cast:** 14

Recently sponsored bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last action
SRES 847	A resolution commending and congratulating the Pennsylvania State University Nittany Lions men's wrestling team for winning the 2026 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I National Championship.	Referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Last action: Aug 8, 2026
S 5360	A bill to amend the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to reauthorize the Rural and Municipal Utility Advanced Cybersecurity Grant and Technical Assistance Program, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5305	A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to modify the grant program for mental health and substance use disorder services for students in higher education and the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline program to address youth suicide prevention and intervention, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Last action: Aug 6, 2026
S 5295	A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to strengthen mentorship and career development support for early-career researchers receiving funding from the National Institutes of Health, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Last action: Aug 6, 2026
S 5263	A bill to amend the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act to provide to States and local areas information on the best practices for addressing the effects that substance use disorder has on the workforce, and to provide local areas with grants to provide training activities related to the treatment and prevention of substance use disorder.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Last action: Aug 5, 2026

Recently cosponsored bills

Bill	Title	Status
S 1894	SPEED Act	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
S 3416	Safeguarding U.S. Rulemaking Act	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
S 3038	Health Care Workforce Real-Time Data Dashboard Act	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
S 1247	Public Safety Free Speech Act	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
S 1001	Crucial Communism Teaching Act	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Recent floor votes by this member

Date	Chamber / Vote	Question
Aug 8, 2026 Cast: Yea	Senate Roll Call 231 Related bill: S. 5271	On Cloture on the Motion to Proceed S. 5271
Aug 8, 2026 Cast: Yea	Senate Roll Call 230 Related bill: PN1078	On the Nomination PN1078
Aug 8, 2026 Cast: Yea	Senate Roll Call 229 Related bill: PN1078	On the Cloture Motion PN1078
Aug 8, 2026 Cast: Yea	Senate Roll Call 228 Related bill: H.R. 6500	On Passage of the Bill H.R. 6500

Date	Chamber / Vote	Question
Aug 8, 2026 Cast: Yea	Senate Roll Call 227	On the Motion to Table S.Amdt. 6747 to S.Amdt. 6732 to H.R. 6500 (No short title on file)

Committee of the Week

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee

Chamber: Senate • **Activity records this week:** 70

Recent bill activity

Bill	Activity	Date
S 5373 A bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to limit the compensation and benefits provided to executive officers of the Postal Service, and for other purposes.	Referred To	Aug 7, 2026
S 4505 A bill to require the United States Postal Service to designate ZIP Codes for certain communities.	Reported By	Aug 6, 2026
S 5325 A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to cease all immigration detention operations at the Delaney Hall Detention Center in Newark, New Jersey, and for other purposes.	Referred To	Aug 6, 2026
S 2542 Federal Building Threat Notification Act	Reported By	Aug 6, 2026
S 5298 A bill to facilitate the leasing of United States Postal Service property for the development of housing, and for other purposes.	Referred To	Aug 6, 2026
S 5314 A bill to make certain individuals and entities ineligible to participate in Federal programs, and for other purposes.	Referred To	Aug 6, 2026

Noteworthy Votes

Date	Chamber / Roll Call	Question & Result
Aug 8, 2026	Senate Roll Call 231 Related bill: S. 5271	**Question:** On Cloture on the Motion to Proceed S. 5271 **Result:** Cloture on the Motion to Proceed Rejected Yea 52 · Nay 46 · Present 0 · Not Voting 2
Aug 8, 2026	Senate Roll Call 230 Related bill: PN1078	**Question:** On the Nomination PN1078 **Result:** Nomination Confirmed Yea 50 · Nay 49 · Present 0 · Not Voting 1
Aug 8, 2026	Senate Roll Call 229 Related bill: PN1078	**Question:** On the Cloture Motion PN1078 **Result:** Cloture Motion Agreed to Yea 50 · Nay 49 · Present 0 · Not Voting 1
Aug 8, 2026	Senate Roll Call 228 Related bill: H.R. 6500	**Question:** On Passage of the Bill H.R. 6500 **Result:** Bill Passed Yea 90 · Nay 6 · Present 1 · Not Voting 3
Aug 8, 2026	Senate Roll Call 227	**Question:** On the Motion to Table S.Amdt. 6747 to S.Amdt. 6732 to H.R. 6500 (No short title on file) **Result:** Motion to Table Agreed to Yea 61 · Nay 32 · Present 0 · Not Voting 7
Aug 7, 2026	Senate Roll Call 226	**Question:** On the Cloture Motion S.Amdt. 6732 to H.R. 6500 (No short title on file) **Result:** Cloture Motion Agreed to Yea 91 · Nay 6 · Present 1 · Not Voting 2
Aug 7, 2026	Senate Roll Call 225	**Question:** On the Nomination PN961-1 and PN937-5 and PN901-1 and PN730-38 and PN962-3 and PN931-6 and PN1022-25 and PN806-5 and PN1022-10 and PN1012 and PN931-5 and PN931-4 and PN937-2 and PN1022-22 and PN962-1 and PN961-4 and PN901-3 and PN806-7 and PN730-23 and PN1022-7 and PN1022-6 and PN961-3 and PN937-9 and PN937-8 and PN937-7 and PN1022-34 and PN1022-31 and PN1022-15 and PN1022-9 and PN1022-8 and PN1022-3 and PN961-9 and PN931-2 and PN1093-2 and PN1093-1 and PN1011 and PN961-2 and PN930-8 and PN930-6 and PN930-5 and PN930-1 and PN901-12 and PN901-2 and PN850 and PN787-2 and PN730-18 and PN730-2 and PN933 and PN852-3 and PN806-2 and PN961-7 and PN901-7 and PN901-6 and PN792 and PN786-10 and PN931-3 and PN730-59 and PN786-5 and PN937-1 and PN901-11 and PN859-5 and PN730-36 and PN901-5 and PN859-2 and PN859-1 and PN901-10 and PN852-11 and PN852-9 and PN859-6 and PN852-6 and PN852-5 and PN852-2 and PN806-9 and PN730-11 **Result:** Nomination Confirmed Yea 51 · Nay 47 · Present 0 · Not Voting 2
Aug 7, 2026	Senate Roll Call 224 Related bill: H.R. 5334	**Question:** On Passage of the Bill H.R. 5334 **Result:** Bill Passed Yea 86 · Nay 11 · Present 0 · Not Voting 3
Aug 7, 2026	Senate Roll Call 223	**Question:** On the Amendment S.Amdt. 6715 to S.Amdt. 6711 to H.R. 5334 (No short title on file) **Result:** Amendment Rejected Yea 32 · Nay 64 · Present 0 · Not Voting 4
Aug 5, 2026	Senate Roll Call 222 Related bill: S.J.Res. 187	**Question:** On the Motion to Proceed S.J.Res. 187 **Result:** Motion to Proceed Rejected Yea 48 · Nay 50 · Present 0 · Not Voting 2

Bill Activity by Stage

Passed a chamber

Bill	Title	Status / Last action
HR 2196	National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Extension Act	Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
HR 2069	Stop Secret Spending Act of 2025	Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
HR 1276	To remove restrictions from a parcel of land in Paducah, Kentucky.	Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
HR 5366	Doug LaMalfa Federal Disaster Tax Relief Certainty Act	Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 2677	A bill to expand the sharing of information with respect to suspected violations of intellectual property rights in trade.	Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. Last action: Aug 7, 2026

Other actions

Bill	Title	Status / Last action
S 5271	A bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require voters to provide photo identification.	Cloture on the motion to proceed to the measure not invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 52 - 46. Reco Last action: Aug 8, 2026
HR 3633	Digital Asset Market Clarity Act	Cloture motion on the motion to proceed to the measure presented in Senate. Last action: Aug 8, 2026
S 5383	A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to schedule MGM-15 and MGM-16 as schedule I controlled substances, and to amend the controlled Substances Act to schedule synthetic 7-hydroxymitragynine, and Mitragynine Pseudoindoxyl, as a Schedule I above a specific threshold under the controlled substance act, and to expand enforcement actions against drug manufacturers and distributors of emerging synthetic opioids, commonly known as gas station heroin.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Last action: Aug 8, 2026
SRES 849	A resolution expressing support for the designation of the week of September 11 through September 17, 2026, as "Patriot Week".	Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Last action: Aug 8, 2026
SRES 847	A resolution commending and congratulating the Pennsylvania State University Nittany Lions men's wrestling team for winning the 2026 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I National Championship.	Referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Last action: Aug 8, 2026
SRES 848	A resolution celebrating the 80th anniversary of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the premier public health institute of the United States.	Referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Last action: Aug 8, 2026
S 4189	INSULIN Act of 2026	Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 552. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5372	A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for the issuance of natural lifetime injunctions for certain victims.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Last action: Aug 7, 2026

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S 5377	A bill to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to establish certain procedures for consideration of appropriation bills, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
SRES 846	A resolution designating August 21, 2026, as "Fentanyl Prevention and Awareness Day".	Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimou Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5366	A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow 5-year carrybacks for the low-income housing tax credit.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
SRES 845	A resolution designating September 2026 as "National Child Awareness Month" to promote awareness of charities that benefit children as well as youth-serving organizations throughout the United States and recognizing the efforts made by those charities and organizations on behalf of children and youth as critical contributions to the future of the United States.	Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimou Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5361	A bill to improve the use and management of mobile medical units by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5380	A bill to provide for a ten-year statute of limitations for export control violations under the Export Control Reform Act of 2018.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5360	A bill to amend the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to reauthorize the Rural and Municipal Utility Advanced Cybersecurity Grant and Technical Assistance Program, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5381	A bill to require an analysis of threats posed by foreign adversary access to controlled items within the United States.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5362	A bill to direct the Secretary of State to advocate for the inclusion and recognition of the Central Tibetan Administration, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5378	A bill to provide for the disposition of surrendered offshore wind energy lease areas, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5375	A bill to provide for records preservation processes for certain at-risk Afghan allies.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5374	A bill to facilitate the conveyance of certain land in Bonners Ferry, Idaho, platted under section 2387 of the Revised Statutes, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
SJRES 212	A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to ensure that only citizens are eligible to vote Federal in elections.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Last action: Aug 7, 2026

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SCONRES 39	A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2027 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2028 through 2036.	Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 551. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5364	A bill to support rural families.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5365	A bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, to award grants to train community mental wellness workers, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
SRES 844	A resolution honoring the lives and service of Emily Barker, Nicholas Hutcherson, Sydney Watson, Nathan Matthews, Nicholas Dale, and all those who serve on the front lines of wildland firefighting efforts in the United States.	Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimou Last action: Aug 7, 2026
SRES 843	A resolution expressing support for the designation of the first week of August 2026, as "National Community Health Center Week", encouraging all people of the United States to participate by visiting their local community health center, and celebrating the important partnership between community health centers and the communities they serve.	Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimou Last action: Aug 7, 2026
SCONRES 38	A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2027 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2028 through 2036.	Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 550. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5371	A bill to close loopholes in the immigration laws that serve as incentives to aliens to attempt to enter the United States unlawfully, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5376	A bill to establish minimum hiring, training, and suitability standards for Federal law enforcement officers, to prohibit accelerated or abbreviated basic training and provisional appointments, to provide for enforcement and oversight, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5369	A bill to reauthorize and expand the imposition of sanctions under the Nicaragua Investment Conditionality Act of 2018, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
SRES 842	A resolution expressing recognition and appreciation for the contributions of hotel employees and supporting the goals and ideals of National Hotel Employee Day.	Referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5363	A bill to amend sections 111, 169, and 171 of the Clean Air Act to clarify when a physical change in, or change in the method of operation of, a stationary source constitutes a modification or construction, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5370	A bill to state the policy of the United States with respect to international religious freedom in the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Last action: Aug 7, 2026

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S 5359	A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to Pennington County, South Dakota, certain National Forest System land.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Last action: Aug 7, 2026
S 5368	A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish or modify cybersecurity requirements for drinking water and wastewater systems, and for other purposes.	Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. Last action: Aug 7, 2026

What Congress Focused On

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

Government Operations and Politics (56) Congressional tributes (28) Postal service (28) Government buildings, facilities, and property (27) Education (7) Land transfers (7) Congressional oversight (6) Government information and archives (6) Native Americans (5) California (4)

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

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