

United States Senate Aerospace Caucus

The United States civilian, defense, and space sectors must remain world class Aerospace leaders for America's future.

Mission

The United States Senate Aerospace Caucus will work to ensure a strong, secure and competitive American aerospace sector. The caucus will focus on education, workforce development, industrial base competitiveness, and acquisition oversight.

Vision

The United States Senate Aerospace Caucus will be a highly visible, proactive, and solution-oriented organization ensuring academia; industry; and government are in step with programs and policies which support a robust aerospace economic sector.

Strategic Objectives

Preserve and support U.S. Education, Intellectual Capital, and Jobs in the Aerospace sector.

- a. Promote education and workforce development programs to prepare students and workers for careers in the aerospace sector
- b. Increase the percentage of U.S. students graduating with STEM-related degrees and pursuing STEM-related fields
- c. Promote awareness of career options in the aerospace industry
- d. Advance science, technology, and career and technical education programs to meet the needs of students and employers in enhancing the aerospace industry.

Ensure a vibrant and competitive aerospace industrial base capable of meeting the challenges of global competition.

- a. Make government a partner in developing America's future workforce in both aerospace engineering and advanced manufacturing
- b. Increase exports of America's aerospace manufactured goods
- c. Promote technology innovation and research and development

Provide critical oversight of United States Government Aerospace acquisition programs (civil, defense and space).

- a. Promote stability and fairness in the award of government contracts
- b. Reform Defense Acquisition
- c. Revitalize the "Arsenal of Democracy"

Promote increased government investment in U.S. aviation infrastructure and technology development (FAA, NASA and DOD)

- a. Accelerate development and deployment of NEXT-GEN air traffic control
- b. Augment the creation of public-private investment in the development of cutting-edge aerospace technologies
- c. Prioritize and streamline U.S. government investment in the most critical areas of aerospace research and development
- d. Improve collaboration among U.S. government agencies involved in aerospace R&D