2025

U.S. Senate Committee Guide



THE 119TH CONGRESS

Overview

As of January 3, 2025, Republicans officially assumed the majority in the United States Senate following the 2024 elections. This shift in power also brings new leadership to Senate committees, with Republican Senators now chairing key committees. These committee chairs will play a pivotal role in shaping legislation, both within their committees and in coordination with Senate leadership and the executive branch under the Trump administration.

This document provides an overview of the new committee chairs, along with details on the largest media outlets in their states and the social media platforms, particularly X/Twitter. Use this guide to strategically position your organization and policy priorities in front of these influential Senators as the 119th Congress begins under the new administration.

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U.S. Senate Committee Guide

How to Use this Guide

This guide is designed to help organizations understand the key lawmakers who will influence the agenda in the 119th Congress.

It provides an overview of:







Committee Chairs

Ranking Members

Primary Issues within the committees they lead

This information can help ensure your organization connects with the right champions on Capitol Hill as legislative efforts begin under the new Trump administration.

Additionally, the guide highlights the top three media outlets in each Senator's state based on audience reach, along with the outlets each Senator engages with most on X/Twitter. This can help you target the right media to amplify your issues and better understand the content key Senators are following.

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Senate Committees

Aging	Energy & Natural Resources	Indian Affairs
<u>Agriculture</u>	Environment & Public Works	Intelligence
<u>Appropriations</u>	<u>Ethics</u>	<u>Judiciary</u>
Armed Services	<u>Finance</u>	Rules & Administration
Banking	Foreign Relations	Small Business
Budget	Health, Education, Labor & Pensions (HELP)	Veterans Affairs
Commerce	Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs	

Special Committee on Aging



Senators Rick Scott and Kirstin Gillibrand do not have a publicly established working relationship.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenRickScott |
 @ ScottforFlorida



Rick Scott - (R-FL)



Kirsten Gillibrand - (D-NY)

Key Issues

Retirement Security

Focuses on ensuring that seniors have access to secure and stable retirement plans.

Healthcare

Addresses healthcare issues affecting older Americans, including improvements to Medicare.

Fiscal Health

Tackles the financial challenges faced by seniors, particularly those living on fixed incomes.

Affordable and Healthy Meals

Gillibrand champions access to affordable and nutritious meals for older Americans, addressing food insecurity among the aging population.

Affordable Health Care and Prescription Drugs She emphasizes making healthcare and prescription drugs affordable for seniors, advocating for policies to reduce healthcare costs.

Social Security Benefits and Financial SecurityGillibrand is committed to protecting Social Security benefits and ensuring financial security for older Americans, helping them age with dignity.

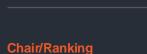
Top State Media Outlets by Reach

- **WFOR-TV** (57,764,853 UVM)
- Miami Herald (3,857,114 UVM)
- Tampa Bay Times (1,845, 024 UVM)

- New York Times (139,735,118 UVM)
- New York Post (53,304,061 UVM)
- Wall Street Journal (24,379,062 UVM)

- Fox News (22 posts, 44,412,423 UVM, Organic Engagement and Personal Promotion)
- The Daily Wire (4 posts, 4,535,735 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- CNN (3 posts, 123,353, 975 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- New York Times (5 post, 139,735,118 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement
- Associated Press (3 Posts, 46,446,451 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- Washington Post (3 posts, 31,112,789 UVM, Organic Engagement)

Agriculture, Nutrition & Forestry



Member Relationship

Senators John Boozman and Amy Klobuchar have a collaborative working relationship. They both emphasize the importance of bipartisanship in addressing agricultural issues, such as the farm bill, which requires balancing the needs of urban and rural constituents.

Quick Links

- · Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ JohnBoozman | @ Boozman 4AR
- @ SenAmyKlobuchar | @ amyklobuchar



John Boozman (R-AR)



Amy Klobuchar (D-MN)

Key Issues

Supporting Farmers and Ranchers

Boozman works to ensure farmers and ranchers have the resources they need, including modernizing the farm safety net and improving access to global markets.

Conservation and Rural Development

He supports investments in conservation and agricultural research, with a focus on policies that benefit rural communities.

Nutrition Programs

Boozman advocates for the protection and modernization of nutrition programs aimed at reducing hunger and improving quality of life in rural areas.

Strengthening Defense Against Animal Disease Outbreaks

Klobuchar works to strengthen protections against animal disease outbreaks, ensuring the health of livestock and poultry.

Home-Grown Fuel Production

She advocates for increasing domestic fuel production to support energy independence and benefit agriculture.

Investment in Conservation and Sustainable Farming

Klobuchar supports conservation programs that protect natural resources and promote sustainable farming practices.

- Top State Media Outlets by Reach
- Arkansas Democrat Gazette (506,229 UVM)
- KATV-TV (265.870 UVM)
- KFSM-TV (216, 580 UVM)

- WCCO-TV (57,764,853 UVM)
- Minnesota Star Tribune (3,502,431 UVM)
- **KARE-TV** (985,169 UVM)

- Arkansas Democrat Gazette (20 posts, 506,229 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- KARK-TV (6 posts, 249,865 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- Agri Pulse (5 posts, 17,111 UVM, Personal Promotion and Issue Engagement
- WDIO-TV (5 posts, 141,562 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- Minnesota Star Tribune (3 posts, 3,502,431 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- WCCO-TV (3 posts, 57,764,853 UVM, Organic Engagement)

Appropriations



Susan Collins (R-ME)



Patty Murray (D-WA)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Susan Collins and Patty Murray have a strong bipartisan working relationship. They have emphasized their commitment to working together in a bipartisan manner, marked by a shared dedication to funding the government responsibly.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenSusanCollins |
 @ SenatorCollins
- @PattyMurray | @MurrayCampaign

Key Issues

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Investing in Infrastructure and Environmental Projects

Murray has secured over \$513 million for infrastructure, environmental, and social projects, including salmon restoration, public lands protection, and affordable housing.

Supporting Families and Workers

She advocates for lower child care costs, stronger worker protections, and investments in health and education.

Strengthening National Security

Murray is dedicated to maintaining national security through defense funding and support for military personnel.

- Top State Media Outlets by Reach
- Spectrum News Maine (855,247 UVM)
- The Portland Press Herald (719,161 UVM)
- The Times Record (719,161 UVM)

- **Seattle Times** (4,685,022 UVM)
- **KOMO-TV** (1,795,231 UVM)
- **KING-TV** (1,544,815 UVM)

Top Outlets Engaged with on X

 Senator Collins did not engage with a single article on X between Jan 1, 2025 and Jan 1, 2024. She most frequently engaged with other Senators and the account for Maine Women's Basketball.

- Seattle Times (11 posts,4,685,022 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Washington Post (10 posts, 31,112,789 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)
- New York Times (6 posts,139,735,118 UVM, Organic Engagement)

Armed Services



Roger Wicker - (R-MS)



Jack Reed (D-RI)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Roger Wicker and Jack Reed have a collaborative working relationship. They work together on key defense legislation, such as the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), which sets defense policy and investment priorities for the U.S. Department of Defense and national security programs.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenatorWicker | @ RogerWicker
- @ SenJackReed | @ jackreed2020

Key Issues

Deterring Conflicts

Wicker advocates for deterring conflicts, especially with China and Russia, by supporting arms sales to Taiwan and countering China's military expansion.

Investing in Military Personnel

He pushes for significant pay raises for servicemembers and improvements in quality of life for military families.

Strengthening the Defense Industrial Base

Wicker calls for increased investment in the U.S. defense industrial base, including procurement of warships, technology, munitions, and aircraft.

Strengthening National Security

Reed is focused on enhancing America's strength with investments in technology, weapons systems, and cyber capabilities through the 2025 NDAA.

Supporting Servicemembers and Their Families

He advocates for improving quality of life for servicemembers, including pay raises and better support for childcare, housing, and military spouses.

Investing in Defense Innovation

Reed supports defense innovation through investments in naval vessels, submarines, aircraft, combat vehicles, missile defense, and UAS platforms to deter adversaries.

- Top State Media Outlets by Reach
- The Clarion Ledger (685,356 UVM)
- WLBT-TV (446,808 UVM)
- Farm Progress (308,132 UVM)

- Providence Journal (914,647 UVM)
- WPRI-TV (593,712 UVM)
- WJAR-TV (582,285 UVM)

- Fox News (23 posts, 44,412,423 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Wall Street Journal (12 posts, 24,379,062 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)
- CNN (7 posts, 123,353, 975 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)
- WPRI-TV (10 posts, 593,712 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- Providence Journal (8 posts, 914,647 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- WJAR-TV (5 posts, 582,285 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs



Tim Scott - (R-SC)



Elizabeth Warren - (D-MA)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Tim Scott and Elizabeth Warren have a professional working relationship. Despite their differing political ideologies, they have found common ground on certain issues, such as antimoney-laundering legislation and housing policy. Their collaboration is essential in ensuring that the committee's work reflects a balance of perspectives and priorities, aiming to create policies that support economic growth and financial stability.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenatorTimScott | @ votetimscott
- @ SenWarren | @ ewarren

Key Issues

Expanding Economic Opportunities

Scott aims to increase access to credit and promote innovation to create opportunities for struggling communities and empower Americans.

Increasing Access to Capital Formation and Fostering Innovation

He supports small business growth by improving access to capital and expanding investment opportunities for everyday families.

Enabling Financial Success

Scott promotes financial literacy to help Americans achieve financial independence and prosperity.

Protecting Consumers

Warren focuses on protecting consumers from financial exploitation and holding financial institutions accountable, advocating for stronger regulations to prevent predatory practices.

Affordable Housing

She supports policies to increase affordable housing availability and lower prices, addressing the housing crisis and making homes accessible to more Americans.

Financial Regulation

Warren advocates for strict financial regulations to prevent future crises, promoting transparency and accountability to benefit middle-class families.

- Top State
 Media Outlets
 by Reach
- **WYFF-TV** (1,027,333 UVM)
- Post and Courier (1.002.490 UVM)
- The State (790,197 UVM)

- Boston Globe (3,395,193 UVM)
- MassLive (2, 817,993 UVM)
- Boston.com (2,654,653 UVM)

- Fox News (75+ posts, 44,412,423 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- New York Post (12 posts, 53,304,061 UVM Organic and Issue Engagement)
- CNN (11 posts, 123,353, 975 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Boston Globe (27 posts, 3,395,193 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Washington Post (17 posts, 31,112,789 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)
- **Bloomberg** (17 posts, 15,755,016 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)

Budget



Lindsey Graham - (R-SC)



Jeff Merkley - (D-OR)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Lindsey Graham and Jeff Merkley have a professional working relationship, but no deep or public history.

Key Issues

Border Security

Graham advocates for a transformational border security bill, including more border patrol agents, military funding, and enhanced ICE capabilities.

Fiscal Responsibility

He focuses on reducing spending and addressing the national debt, supporting budget reforms to prioritize the needs of American families.

Defense Funding

Graham prioritizes military funding to address national security needs and ensure fair pay and benefits for troops and their families.

Living Wage Jobs

Merkley advocates for raising the minimum wage to a living wage and phasing out subminimum wages, supporting workers' rights to organize and negotiate for better wages and conditions.

Affordable Housing

He is committed to expanding affordable housing resources, addressing racial discrimination in housing policies, and providing support services to reduce chronic homelessness.

Education

Merkley works to lower higher education costs, combat predatory practices, and support career and technical education, including K-12 programs and union apprenticeships.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @LindsevGrahamSC
- @ SenJeffMerkley | @ JeffMerkley

Top State Media Outlets by Reach

- **WYFF-TV** (1,027,333 UVM)
- Post and Courier (1,002,490 UVM)
- The State (790,197 UVM)

- The Oregonian (3,785,223 UVM)
- KGW-TV (1,343,643 UVM)
- KOIN-TV (1,216,226 UVM)

- Fox News (50+ posts, 44,412,423 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- CNN (8 posts,123,353,975 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- NBC (8 posts, 43,864,931 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- KTVZ-TV (21 posts, 553,385 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- Washington Post (11 posts, 31,112,789, Organic Engagement)
- New York Times (8 posts,139,735,118 UVM, Organic Engagement)

Commerce, Science, and Transportation



Ted Cruz - (R-TX)



Maria Cantwell - (D-WA)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Ted Cruz and Maria Cantwell have worked together on several bipartisan initiatives, including the Coast Guard Reauthorization Act of 2024 and the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024.

Key Issues

Modernizing Air Traffic Control Systems

Cruz advocates for modernizing the FAA's air traffic control systems to improve efficiency, reliability, and address outdated technology in U.S. airspace.

Protecting Consumers

He focuses on consumer protection, supporting legislation like the TICKET Act to improve transparency in the online ticket market by requiring upfront price disclosures.

Children's Online Safety

Cruz supports bipartisan efforts, including the Kids Online Safety Act and the Children and Teens' Online Privacy Protection Act, to enhance children's online safety and data privacy.

Transportation Infrastructure

Cantwell advocates for robust investment in transportation infrastructure, including mega projects, freight systems, and highway-rail crossings.

Aviation Safety

She focuses on improving aviation safety by updating technology and strengthening FAA oversight and safety culture.

Freight and Port Infrastructure

Cantwell prioritizes reducing congestion at ports and rail crossings to enhance economic efficiency and competitiveness.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenTedCruz |
 @ tedcruz
- @ SenatorCantwell | @ MariaCantwell

Top State Media Outlets by Reach

- **KTVT-TV** (57,764,853 UVM)
- Dallas Morning News (2,697,205 UVM)
 Houston Chronicle (1,717,273 UVM)
- Seattle Times (4,685,022 UVM)
- **KOMO-TV** (1,795,231 UVM)
- **KING-TV** (1,544,815 UVM)

- Fox News (38 posts, 44,412,423 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- **Texas Insider** (11 posts, 2,593 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- The Daily Wire (4 posts, 4,535,735 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- Seattle Times (15 posts,4,685,022 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- GeekWire (5 posts, 437,479 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- Associated Press (4 posts, 46,446,451 UVM, Organic Engagement)

Energy and Natural Resources



Senators Mike Lee and Martin Heinrich have a collaborative working relationship. Despite their differing political ideologies, they share a common interest in energy issues, especially those affecting their Western states.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenMikeLee | @ MikeLeeforUtah
- @ SenatorHeinrich |
 @ MartinHeinrich



Mike Lee - (R-UT)



Martin Heinrich - (D-NM)

Key Issues

Energy Independence

Lee focuses on using the nation's natural resources to achieve energy independence, stimulate economic growth, and return land stewardship to the American people.

Environmental Conservation

He emphasizes environmental conservation, including initiatives like the Great Salt Lake Restoration Act to preserve the Great Salt Lake and its basin.

Infrastructure Development

Lee is committed to improving infrastructure, such as the Mountain View Corridor Completion Act, to reduce congestion and improve connectivity in Utah.

Clean Energy Transition

Heinrich advocates for advancing the clean energy transition by utilizing New Mexico's wind and solar resources, building high-voltage transmission lines, and electrifying large sectors of the economy.

Energy Innovation

Heinrich supports increasing investments in fusion and geothermal energy, believing these technologies offer limitless clean energy potential as the Founder and Chair of the Senate Fusion Caucus.

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Heinrich emphasizes protecting public lands and natural resources, championing national monuments and wilderness areas in New Mexico to preserve the state's natural beauty.

- Top State Media Outlets by Reach
- KSL.com (3,788,320 UVM)
- Deseret News (3,313,400 UVM)
- Salt Lake Tribune (1,529,687 UVM)

- KRQE-TV (607,318 UVM)
- Albuquerque Journal (260,545 UVM)
- Santa Fe New Mexican (193,107 UVM)

- Fox News (50+ posts, 44,412,423 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- New York Post (23 posts, 53,304,061 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- Deseret News (13 posts, 3,313,400 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- Santa Fe New Mexican (8 posts,193,107 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Albuquerque Journal (7 posts, 260,545 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Canary Media (6 posts,193,107 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)

Environment and Public Works



Key

Issues



Shelley Moore Capito - (R-WV)

CHAIR

Sheldon Whitehouse - (D-RI)

Chair/Ranking **Member Relationship**

Senators Shelley Moore Capito and Sheldon Whitehouse have a collaborative working relationship. They have worked together on several bipartisan initiatives, including the ADVANCE Act, which aims to boost the development and deployment of new nuclear technologies.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenCapito | @ CapitoforWV
- @ SenWhitehouse | @ SheldonforRI

Energy and Manufacturing Jobs

Capito advocates for policies that protect West Virginia's energy and manufacturing jobs, emphasizing affordable energy production and modernizing the nation's energy infrastructure.

Infrastructure Investment

She is committed to investing in West Virginia's highway infrastructure, working on projects like Corridor H and King Coal Highway to improve connectivity and boost economic development.

Regulatory Reform

Capito seeks to roll back parts of the Democrats' climate law, eliminate wasteful spending, and streamline permitting to foster economic growth while maintaining clean energy job creation.

Climate Change

Whitehouse is committed to addressing climate change by reducing carbon emissions and transitioning to clean energy sources, recognizing its economic and financial impacts on American families.

Infrastructure Investment

He focuses on strategic infrastructure investments. including highways, bridges, ports, and water resources, to create jobs and grow the middle class.

Environmental Protection

Whitehouse prioritizes protecting air and water quality, tackling pollution, and safeguarding natural resources through legislation focused on conservation and resilience.

- **Top State** Media Outlets by Reach
- WSAZ-TV (615,165 UVM)
- **WBOY-TV** (326.1 UVM)
- WV News (293,124 UVM)

- Providence Journal (914,647 UVM)
- WPRI-TV (593,712 UVM)
- WJAR-TV (582,285 UVM)

- Fox News (21 posts, 44,412,423 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- WV Metro News (12 posts, 11,015 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- WV News (12 posts, 293,124 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Washington Post (12 posts, 31,112,789 UVM, Organic Engagement) New York Times (8 posts, 139, 735, 118 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- Wall Street Journal (7 posts, 24,379,062 UVM, Organic Engagement)

Ethics



James Lankford - (R-OK)



Chris Coons - (D-DE)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators James Lankford and Chris Coons have a collaborative working relationship, particularly evident in their bipartisan efforts to support charitable giving. They co-introduced the Charitable Act, which aims to expand and extend the expired universal deduction for charitable giving, encouraging Americans to donate to charities, houses of worship, and other nonprofits.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenatorLankford |
 @ iameslankford
- @ ChrisCoons | @ ChrisCoonsforDE

Key Issues

Ethics Advice and Education

Lankford is committed to providing ethics advice and education to Senate members, officers, and employees to ensure adherence to ethical standards.

Financial Disclosure Program

He emphasizes administering the Senate's financial disclosure program to promote transparency and accountability among Senators and their staff.

Investigating Misconduct

Lankford prioritizes investigating allegations of misconduct to maintain the integrity and ethical standards of the Senate.

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- Top State Media Outlets by Reach
- KWTV-TV (770,397 UVM)
- **KOCO-TV** (734,437 UVM)
- KOTV-TV (623,323 UVM)

- **Delaware Online** (1,218,976 UVM)
- Cape Cod Times (325,550 UVM)
- Cape Gazette (118,794 UVM)

- Fox News (25 posts, 44,412,423 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Newsmax (19 posts, 4,899,936 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- NewsNation (6 posts, 6,601,860 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- New York Times (18 posts, 139,735,118 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- Delaware Online (16 posts, 1,218,976 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Washington Post (15 posts, 31,112,789 UVM, Organic Engagement)

Finance



Mike Crapo - (R-ID)



Ron Wyden - (D-OR)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Mike Crapo and Ron Wyden have a collaborative working relationship. They have worked together on several bipartisan initiatives, including legislation honoring Medal of Honor recipients by designating U.S. Highway 20 as the "National Medal of Honor Highway".

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ Mike Crapo | @ crapoforsenate
- @RonWyden | @WydenForOregon

Key Issues

Tax Policies

Crapo supports tax policies that aim to create a competitive environment for U.S. businesses, with an emphasis on the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA).

Addressing National Debt

Crapo advocates for addressing the national debt and promoting fiscal responsibility, focusing on oversight of the executive branch and federal agencies to ensure transparency and accountability.

Expanding Access to Affordable Healthcare

Crapo supports policies aimed at expanding access to affordable healthcare, including improvements to programs like Medicare and Medicaid to ensure access to necessary care.

Tax Fairness

Wyden advocates for closing tax loopholes that allow the ultra-wealthy and large corporations to avoid paying their fair share, including efforts to reclassify and tax private placement life insurance policies used as tax shelters.

Clean Energy and Climate Change

Wyden supports transitioning to clean energy sources and reducing carbon emissions, with a focus on the Clean Energy for America Act, which aims to tie tax incentives to emissions reductions and climate outcomes.

Healthcare and Prescription Drug Costs

Wyden is focused on lowering prescription drug costs and expanding access to affordable healthcare, developing policies to make healthcare more accessible and affordable for all Americans.

- Top State

 Media Outlets

 by Reach
- **KTVB-TV** (562,839 UVM)
- Idaho Statesman (445,392 UVM)
- KBOI-TV (251,831 UVM)

- The Oregonian (3,785,223 UVM)
- KGW-TV (1,343,643 UVM)
- KOIN-TV (1,216,226 UVM)

- Fox News (9 posts, 44,412,423 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- **KBOI-TV** (5 posts, 251,831 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- Washington Examiner (3 posts, 2,251,118 UVM, Issue Engagement)
- The Oregonian (10 posts, 3,785,223 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Associated Press (7 posts, 46,446,451 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)
- New York Times (6 posts, 139,735,118 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)

Foreign Relations



Jim Risch (R-ID)



Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Jim Risch and Jeanne Shaheen have worked together on several bipartisan initiatives, including the Georgian People's Act, which aims to hold Georgian government officials accountable for corruption and human rights abuses.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenatorRisch |
 @ Risch4ldaho
- @ SenatorShaheen |
 @ JeanneShaheen

Key Issues

Strategic Competition with China

Risch focuses on addressing challenges posed by China, introducing legislative packages such as the Strategic Competition Act to strengthen U.S. competition with China.

Defending and Strengthening NATO

Risch supports defending and strengthening NATO, working to ensure Senate approval for Finland and Sweden's membership and backing Ukraine in its conflict with Russia.

Promoting Human Rights

Risch is committed to defending human rights globally, advocating for freedom of religion and publishing reports on issues such as the U.S. southern border and the U.S. exit from Afghanistan.

Uplifting Diplomacy

Shaheen emphasizes the role of diplomacy in U.S. foreign policy to uphold America's position as a force for democracy, strength, and stability.

Addressing Global Conflicts

She focuses on addressing global challenges, including the war in Ukraine and conflicts in the Middle East.

Countering Disinformation and Emerging Technology

Shaheen aims to counter disinformation and address emerging technology threats to protect national security and maintain global stability.

- Top State Media Outlets by Reach
- **KTVB-TV** (562,839 UVM)
- Idaho Statesman (445,392 UVM)
- **KBOI-TV** (251,831 UVM)

- WMUR-TV (849,920 UVM)
- Seacoast Online (366,879 UVM)
- New Hampshire Union Leader (236,087 UVM)

- Fox News (19 posts, 44,412,423 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- Wall Street Journal (5 posts, 24,379,062 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- KTVB-TV (5 posts, 562,839 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
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Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP)



Bill Cassidy - (R-LA)



Bernie Sanders (I-VT)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Bill Cassidy and Bernie Sanders have worked together on several bipartisan initiatives, including the reauthorization of the Older Americans Act (OAA), which aims to renew funding and strengthen services for older Americans.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenBillCassidy | @ BillCassidy
- @ SenSanders | @ BernieSanders

Key Issues

Lowering Prescription Drug Costs

Cassidy focuses on reducing prescription drug costs by passing bills to reform incentives for Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs) and ensuring drug discounts are passed on to patients.

Opposing the Biden-Harris Agenda

Cassidy has led efforts to overturn Biden-Harris administration policies, using the Congressional Review Act (CRA) to challenge policies he believes negatively impact workers and taxpayers.

Improving Healthcare Access and Affordability

Cassidy works to improve healthcare access and affordability, including legislation to prevent surprise medical bills, reform mental health care, and expand in-school mental health services for students.

Reducing Prescription Drug Costs

Sanders focuses on lowering the high cost of prescription drugs and advocates for legislation aimed at making medications more affordable for all Americans.

Expanding Primary Health Care

He emphasizes expanding access to primary health care by supporting the establishment and growth of federally qualified health centers to ensure everyone can access a doctor when needed.

Supporting Workers' Rights

Sanders is committed to protecting workers' rights and supporting the trade union movement through policies that promote fair labor practices.

- Top State Media Outlets by Reach
- New Orleans Advocate (1,450,604 UVM)
- WDSU-TV (715.761 UVM)
- WVUE-TV (498,274 UVM)

- WCAX-TV (745,811 UVM)
- **VT Digger** (447,413 UVM)
- Burlington Free Press (357,191 UVM)

- Fox News (22 posts, 44,412,423 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- New Orleans Advocate (12 posts, 1,450,604 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- Washington Post (14 posts, 31,112,789 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- The Washington Post (14 posts, 31,112,789 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- **CNN** (12 posts, 123,353,975 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- MSNBC (9 posts, 5,704,890 UVM, Personal Promotion)

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs



Senators Rand Paul and Gary Peters have worked together on several bipartisan initiatives, including an investigation into security failures that led to the attempted assassination of former President Donald Trump.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenRandPaul |
 @ RandPaul
- @ SenGaryPeters | @ GaryPeters



Rand Paul - (R-KY)



Gary Peters - (D-MI)

Key Issues

Reinstating the Remain in Mexico Policy

Paul focuses on reinstating the Remain in Mexico policy, requiring asylum-seekers to wait in Mexico for their U.S. immigration court hearings.

Investigating COVID-19

Paul aims to continue investigating the origins of the COVID-19 pandemic and the federal response, including examining gain-of-function research at the Wuhan lab.

Oversight and Investigations

Paul is committed to strengthening the Senate's oversight role, conducting investigations into executive branch failures and overseeing government spending.

Strengthening National Security

Peters focuses on bolstering national security by addressing threats like domestic terrorism and cyberattacks, ensuring the federal government is equipped to handle these challenges.

Government Efficiency

He emphasizes improving government efficiency and effectiveness, including overseeing programs and ensuring responsible use of taxpayer dollars.

Countering Drone Threats

Peters is committed to addressing drone safety threats, introducing bipartisan legislation to expand authorities for law enforcement to disable security-risk drones.

Top State Media Outlets by Reach

- WDRB-TV (708,577 UVM)
- WKYT-TV (551.170 UVM)
- Lexington Herald-Leader (511,010 UVM)
- **MLive** (5,838,411 UVM)
- Detroit Free Press (3,965,650 UVM)
- Detroit News (2,029,178 UVM)

- Reason Magazine (22 posts, 975,030 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- Washington Examiner (20 posts, 2,251,118 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- Fox News (19 posts, 44,412,423 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Detroit News (7 posts, 2,029,178 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- **SOO Leader** (4 posts,17,955 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- Detroit Free Press (3 posts, 3,965,650 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)

Indian Affairs



Lisa Murkowski - (R-AK)



Brian Schatz - (D-HI)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Lisa Murkowski and Brian Schatz have worked together on several bipartisan initiatives, including efforts to support Native American communities in Alaska and Hawaii.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @lisamurkowski | @LisaForSenate
- @ SenBrianSchatz |
 @ brianschatz

Key Issues

Advancing Tribal Self-Determination and Self-Governance

Murkowski supports policies that promote tribal selfdetermination and self-governance, championing legislation that empowers Native communities to manage their own affairs and resources.

Improving Health Care and Public Safety

Murkowski focuses on improving health care and public safety for Native communities, playing a key role in the reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act and the passage of the Tribal Law and Order Act.

Supporting Native Youth and Education

Murkowski works to secure a brighter future for Native youth, supporting legislation to improve education and preserve Native languages, including the creation of the Commission on Native Children.

Addressing Native Communities' Priorities

Schatz is committed to elevating Native communities' priorities, emphasizing the importance of listening to and learning from Native leaders to address the unique needs of different tribes.

Promoting Health and Safety

Schatz focuses on ensuring the health and safety of Native communities, addressing healthcare disparities and supporting legislation like the Native American Child Protection Act.

Economic and Infrastructure Development

Schatz advocates for economic development and infrastructure improvements in Native communities, supporting investments in housing, transportation, and other critical infrastructure to enhance quality of life.

- Top State Media Outlets by Reach
- Anchorage Daily News(547,,617 UVM)
- KATH-TV (331.923 UVM)
- KSCT-TV (331,923 UVM)

- Hawaii News Now (925,667 UVM)
- Honolulu Civil Beat (517,603 UVM)
- Honolulu Star-Advertiser (496,758 UVM)

- Anchorage Daily News(22 posts, 547,,617 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- KTUU/KYES-TV (5 posts, 331,923 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- Juneau Empire (4 posts,33,070 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- New York Times (5 posts, 139,735,118 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Associated Press (5 posts, 46,446,451 UVM, All Forms of Engagement) Hawaii News Now (4 posts, 925,667 UVM, Personal Promotion)

Select Committee on Intelligence



Chair/Ranking **Member Relationship**

Senators Tom Cotton and Mark Warner have a professional working relationship. They work together on key national security issues, including intelligence oversight and cybersecurity.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenTomCotton | @ TomCottonAR
- @MarkWarner | @ MarkWarner VA



Tom Cotton - (R-AR)



Mark Warner - (D-VA)

Key Issues

Strengthening National Security

Cotton focuses on enhancing national security by addressing threats from foreign adversaries like China, Russia, and Iran, emphasizing robust intelligence operations and increased transparency.

Oversight and Accountability

Cotton is committed to holding intelligence agencies accountable, ensuring they operate with transparency and effectiveness while preventing lapses in intelligence gathering and analysis.

Supporting U.S. Defense

Cotton prioritizes U.S. defense initiatives, including arming allies like Taiwan and accelerating arms sales to counter China's military buildup, advocating for a strong national defense to protect American interests.

Countering Foreign Intelligence Threats

Warner focuses on addressing threats from foreign adversaries like China and Russia, emphasizing robust intelligence operations and increased transparency within the intelligence community.

Enhancing Cybersecurity

Warner prioritizes improving cybersecurity to protect critical infrastructure and sensitive information. supporting legislation that fosters collaboration between the government and private sector to strengthen defenses.

Advancing Emerging Technologies

Warner is committed to advancing emerging technologies, such as artificial intelligence and biotechnology, to ensure the U.S. remains competitive and secure.

Top State Media Outlets by Reach

- Arkansas Democrat Gazette (506,229 UVM)
- **KATV-TV** (265,870 UVM)
- **KFSM-TV** (216, 580 UVM)

- WTOP-FM (1,977,027 UVM)
- WAVY-TV (1.039.438 UVM)
- WJLA-TV (909,812 UVM)

- Fox News (50+ posts, 44,412,423 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Washington Free Beacon (16 posts, 465,309 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)
- Wall Street Journal (9 posts, 24,379,062 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- New York Times (16 posts, 139,735,118 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)
- Washington Post (5 posts, 31,112,789 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)
- WAVY-TV (4 posts, 1,039,438 UVM, Personal Promotion)

Judiciary



Chuck Grassley - (R-IA)



Dick Durbin - (D-IL)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Chuck Grassley and Dick Durbin have have worked together on several bipartisan initiatives, including the H-1B and L-1 Visa Reform Act and the First Step Act.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ ChuckGrassley | @ GrassleyWorks
- @ SenatorDurbin |
 @ DickDurbin

Key Issues

Law and Order

Grassley focuses on maintaining law and order, working to ensure that the justice system operates effectively and fairly while supporting law enforcement agencies.

Strengthening Whistleblower Protections

Grassley is committed to protecting whistleblowers who expose fraud, waste, and abuse within the government, recognizing their role in maintaining transparency and accountability.

Restoring Confidence in the Federal Judiciary

Grassley aims to restore public confidence in the federal judiciary by ensuring impartiality, upholding the Constitution, and emphasizing the importance of judicial independence and integrity.

Supreme Court Ethics Reform

Durbin focuses on addressing ethical challenges at the Supreme Court, leading investigations into ethical lapses and advocating for legislative solutions to restore trust in the Court.

Immigration Reform

Durbin emphasizes the need for sensible immigration reforms, advocating for the Dream Act and highlighting the impact of mass deportations on families and the economy.

Judicial Appointments

Durbin is committed to advancing highly qualified, diverse judicial nominees, having overseen the confirmation of a historic number of judges reflecting demographic and professional diversity.

- Top State Media Outlets by Reach
- Des Moines Register (1,592,318 UVM)
- KCCI-TV (992, 218 UVM UVM)
- KCRG-TV (629,575 UVM)

- Chicago Tribune (5,165,403 UVM)
- Chicago Sun-Times (2,818,781 UVM)
- WGN-TV (1,733, 410 UVM)

- Fox News (12 posts, 44,412,423 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- Radio Iowa (4 posts, 28,478 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- **Daily Wire** (4 posts, 4,535,735 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- New York Times (8 posts, 139,735,118 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)
- Washington Post (7 posts, 31,112,789 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)
- **CNN** (4 posts, 123,353,975 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)

Rules and Administration



Mitch McConnell - (R-KY)



Alex Padilla - (D-CA)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Mitch McConnell and Alex Padilla have a collaborative working relationship on the Senate Rules and Administration Committee. They work together to oversee the administration of the Senate, including matters related to elections, campaign finance, and the operation of the Capitol complex.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenMcConnell | @ McConnellPress
- @ SenAlexPadilla |
 @ AlexPadilla4CA

Key Issues

Defending the Senate as an institution

McConnell emphasizes the importance of preserving the Senate's role and integrity within the legislative process.

Protecting the right to political speech in elections

He is committed to safeguarding free speech, particularly in the context of political campaigns and elections.

Senate Operations

McConnell is committed to improving Senate operations, overseeing its administration to ensure efficient and effective functioning.

Strengthening Democracy

Padilla focuses on ensuring every eligible citizen can fully participate in elections, introducing legislation to combat election-related disinformation and protect voters and election workers from threats.

Election Security

Padilla emphasizes modernizing and securing elections, supporting bipartisan reforms and increased funding to enhance election security.

Oversight of Capitol Operations

Padilla is committed to overseeing Capitol operations to ensure government institutions serve the American people effectively, efficiently, and equitably.

- Top State

 Media Outlets

 by Reach
- **WDRB-TV** (708,577 UVM)
- WKYT-TV (551,170 UVM)
- Lexington Herald-Leader (511,010 UVM)
- Los Angeles Times (16,180,066 UVM)

San Francisco Chronicle (4.947.090 UVM)

CalMatters (935,850 UVM)

- Wall Street Journal (3 posts, 24,379,062 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- Washington Post (2 posts, 31,112,789 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- **CBS** (1 post, 57,764,853 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- Los Angeles Times (10 posts,16,180,066 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Washington Post (10 posts, 31,112,789 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- Associated Press (10 posts, 46,446,451 UVM, Organic Engagement)

Small Business and Entrepreneurship



Joni Ernst - (R-IA)



Ed Markey - (D-MA)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Joni Ernst and Ed Markey have a collaborative working relationship on the Senate Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee. They work together to support small businesses and entrepreneurs across the country.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @ SenJoniErnst |
 @ joniernst
- @ SenMarkey |@ EdMarkey

Key Issues

Supporting Small Business Export Initiatives Ernst focuses on supporting small business export initiatives, including the STEP Modernization Act of 2024, which aims to enhance state-led export programs

for small businesses.

Simplifying Federal Contracting

Ernst is committed to simplifying federal contracting at the SBA, supporting efforts like the Simplifying Subcontracting Act and the Plain Language in Contracting Act to increase accessibility and understanding of small business contract solicitations.

Increasing Transparency and Accountability

Ernst emphasizes transparency and accountability in SBA programs, supporting initiatives like the Small Business Contracting Transparency Act of 2024 to improve transparency for Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB), HUBZone, and SDVOSB programs.

Supporting Small Business Innovation

Markey advocates for the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program, which provides funding for research and development to help small businesses access the capital they need to succeed.

Promoting Economic Growth

Markey emphasizes harnessing the energy of entrepreneurs to create jobs and promote economic growth, supporting competition and a level playing field to foster prosperity.

Increasing Corporate Accountability

Markey is committed to increasing corporate accountability, cracking down on fraud and manipulation on Wall Street, and championing policies that protect consumers and ensure fair business practices.

- Top State Media Outlets by Reach
- Des Moines Register (1,592,318 UVM)
- **KCCI-TV** (992, 218 UVM)
- KCRG-TV (629,575 UVM)

- **Boston Globe** (3,395,193 UVM)
- MassLive (2, 817,993 UVM)
- **Boston.com** (2,654,653 UVM)

- Fox News (15 posts, 44,412,423 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- New York Post (5 posts, 53,304,061 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- Newsmax (5 posts, 4,899,936 UVM, Personal Promotion and Organic Engagement)
- Boston Globe (19 posts, 3,395,193 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)
- New York Times (12 posts, 139,735,118 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement)
- POLITICO (11 posts, 11,260,872 UVM UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement

Veterans' Affairs







Richard Blumenthal - (D-CT)

Chair/Ranking Member Relationship

Senators Jerry Moran and Richard Blumenthal have a working relationship on the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee. They have worked together on several bipartisan initiatives, including the VA Medical Center Security Report Act, which aims to address security challenges at VA Medical Centers.

Quick Links

- Chair Website
- Ranking Member Website
- · Committee Website
- @JerryMoran | @moranforkansas
- @ SenBlumenthal | @ DickBlumenthal

Key Issues

Toxic Exposure

Moran focuses on monitoring the implementation of the PACT Act to ensure the VA provides newly eligible veterans with timely, quality care and benefits as intended by the law.

Suicide Prevention

Moran emphasizes the nationwide implementation of the John Scott Hannon Act to help veterans access mental health care and prevent suicide.

Veteran Homelessness

Moran is committed to addressing veteran homelessness through oversight of existing programs and expanding successful initiatives.

Improving VA Services

Blumenthal is committed to enhancing the quality of care and benefits provided by the VA, ensuring that veterans receive the healthcare and support they deserve.

Supporting Veterans' Healthcare and Benefits

He focuses on expanding access to healthcare and benefits for veterans, including long-term care programs and support for student veterans and military families.

Addressing Veterans' Homelessness

Blumenthal emphasizes addressing veterans' homelessness by increasing support for transitional housing and providing essential services to unhoused veterans.

- Top State

 Media Outlets

 by Reach
- KSNT-TV (401,065 UVM)
- KAKE-TV (355,361 UVM)
- Wichita Eagle (319,226 UVM)

- WFSB-TV (1,061,413 UVM)
- Hartford Courant (1,004,422 UVM)
- New Haven Register (413,964 UVM)

- Fox News (5 posts, 44,412,423 UVM, Personal Promotion)
- Military.com (3 posts, ,4,707,625 UVM, All Forms of Engagement)
- Reuters (3 posts, 39,925,788 UVM, Organic Engagement and Issue Engagement)
- New York Times (35 posts, 139,735,118 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- Washington Post (24 posts, 31,112,789 UVM, Organic Engagement)
- Associated Press (18 posts, 46,446,451 UVM, Organic and Issue Engagement

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What's Next in 2025?









New Leaderships Dynamics

With fresh appointments and shifting priorities, committee chairs and ranking members are poised to shape their agendas to address emerging issues. Notably, Senator John Thune has succeeded Mitch McConnell as Senate Majority Leader and is expected to align closely with President Trump's agenda.

Legislative Focal Points

Key debates are anticipated around healthcare, national security, energy independence, and fiscal responsibility, driving the year's legislative initiatives. The administration's agenda includes mass deportations, tax cuts, and tariffs on foreign goods.

Bipartisan Breakthroughs

Despite holding a trifecta, the administration may seek bipartisan support on certain issues. However, internal divisions exist within the Republican Party regarding the strategy and speed for enacting President Trump's legislative agenda. House Speaker Mike Johnson advocates for a comprehensive bill encompassing multiple priorities, while Senate Majority Leader John Thune prefers a more cautious, step-by-step approach.

Oversight & Accountability

Committees will advance the administration's goals of streamlining government and reducing spending by using oversight to build cases for eliminating departments like Education and scrutinizing misaligned priorities, laying groundwork for broader government restructuring.

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Methodology

To understand the media engagement and priorities of Senate Committee Chairs and Ranking Members, we utilized a robust methodology incorporating:



Priorities & Relationships

Leveraging AI analysis tools and Signal expertise, our team evaluated official Senate and Committee websites to identify publicly available top priorities and key working relationships.



Social Media Engagement

We analyzed the X/Twitter posts of Senators between January 2024 to January 2025, as they were available, to identify the media outlets each Senator frequently engages with and amplifies on the platform.



In-State Media Reach

Using a comprehensive media database, we identified the media outlets with the largest audience reach in each Senator's state by their UVM, or Unique Visitors per Month. This indicates the number of distinct individuals who visit a website or digital platform every month.

Through this analysis, we have identified three major trends with respect to the coverage that both Committee Chairs and Ranking Members share. This includes coverage of their activities in Congress, coverage related to their committees, or a coordinated post that multiple Senators of the same political party share.

This multi-faceted approach provided a comprehensive view of each Senator's media landscape and political focus.

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