

Position Statement

The Secure U.S. Leadership in Space Act of 2024

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Recently, on February 28th, the Secure U.S. Leadership in Space Act of 2024 was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate. This legislation would allow tax-exempt municipal revenue bonds to be issued to fund spaceport infrastructure. The bill amends the Internal Revenue Code so that spaceports are regarded the same as airports and seaports in their ability to issue tax-exempt bonds. As the cadence of space launches continues to accelerate, it is important to invest in the infrastructure that supports space activities on the ground.

The National Space Society (NSS) supports the provisions of the Secure U.S. Leadership in Space Act of 2024. Investment in space infrastructure will benefit both government and commercial stakeholders. Facilitating investment to strengthen space infrastructure will increase the capability of U.S. space companies. And increasing both the capacity and number of U.S. spaceports is vital to supporting a growing space economy.

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