

# Commerce Committee Budget Reconciliation

## Talking Points & Messaging

To fulfill President Trump's agenda, we are making historic investments in the U.S. Coast Guard to secure America's maritime border, catch drug and weapons traffickers at sea, and maintain life-saving search and rescue capabilities. In addition to hardening our border and national security, the Commerce Committee title unleashes U.S. leadership in the global technological race by restoring spectrum auction authority and launching a massive new spectrum "pipeline."

### KEY THEMES

- 1. Securing our Nation's maritime border against illegal drugs and immigration.**
- 2. Unleashing billions in private sector investment through spectrum and technology.**
- 3. Making air traffic control safer and more efficient.**
- 4. Defeating China in the new Space Race to Mars and back to the Moon.**

### SUMMARY OF REVENUE AND OUTLAY PROVISIONS

- \$85B in revenue from a new spectrum auction pipeline that will put unused and underutilized wireless spectrum into the private market and advance 6G.
- \$24.6B for improvements to the Coast Guard's fleet of cutters, aircraft, and drone systems while fixing aging docks, hangars, and facilities.
- \$12.5B to overhaul air traffic control communications and infrastructure.
- \$9.9B toward space hardware and systems to get Americans to Mars and back to the Moon before China.
- \$1.2B more in rescissions of woke and wasteful Democrat pork than the House titles.

### NOTABLE WINS

1. The largest single investment in our Coast Guard for desperately needed new ships and aircraft to stop illegal immigration, catch drug runners, and keep Americans safe at sea. New funding for state-of-the-art cyber and intelligence technology will make the Coast Guard a modern, agile, and effective protective force.
2. Provides a major boost of investment by the private economy through renewal of spectrum auction authority coupled with a large, dedicated pipeline. Unused and underutilized spectrum held by federal agencies is holding back U.S. leadership on wireless technology. This spectrum plan allows U.S. companies to build out new 6G, bringing faster and cheaper Internet to more Americans at a time when AI's potential is just being felt. This is a key win for President Trump who vowed to "free up plenty of spectrum" in reconciliation. It will help the U.S. outpace China in tech and launch the next tech productivity wave.
3. Rescinds wasteful federal spending by targeting Green New Deal aviation fuel (Alternative Fuel and Low-Emission Aviation Technology program), the Wireless Supply Chain Fund, climate change and environmental funding at NOAA, and Brand USA.
4. Puts significant funding toward fixing air traffic control (ATC) and strengthening our aviation system. With aging telecommunication systems and radars, this money ensures America has a system that can handle both traditional aviation and new entrants like drones, air taxis, and commercial space operations.
5. Brings down automobile prices modestly by eliminating CAFE penalties on automakers that design cars to conform to the wishes of DC bureaucrats rather than consumers.



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