



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

January 30, 2017

**H.R. 321
Inspiring the Next Space Pioneers, Innovators, Researchers,
and Explorers (INSPIRE) Women Act**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
on January 24, 2017*

H.R. 321 would direct the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) to continue its support of programs designed to encourage women and girls to study science, technology, engineering, and mathematics and to pursue careers in aerospace. The act would require NASA to report to the Congress regarding its existing activities related to such programs and to identify how NASA might develop a program to engage female students in kindergarten through high school studying science, mathematics, and technological subjects with current and retired astronauts, scientists, engineers, and innovators.

CBO estimates that implementing the legislation would have no significant cost because NASA is already undertaking such efforts. Enacting H.R. 321 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 321 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

H.R. 321 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Jacob Fabian. The estimate was approved by H. Samuel Papenfuss, Deputy Director for Budget Analysis.