

Congressman Altmire has quickly established himself as one of the leading voices in Congress on [veteran](#) , [health care](#) and [small business](#) issues. His leadership to [guarantee bonuses](#) for combat wounded veterans garnered national attention and he has [authored 44 different legislative initiatives](#) that have already passed the House. Twenty-seven of those initiatives have been signed into law.

For more details on his positions and work in Congress, please follow the links below:

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Sponsored and Cosponsored Legislation

Before a proposed piece of legislation can be considered by the House of Representatives, it must first be sponsored by a Member of Congress (either a Member of the House or a Member of the Senate). Members of Congress who are not the primary sponsor of a piece of legislation may express their strong support for a certain bill by becoming a co-sponsor. Here are the pieces of legislation that Congressman Altmire has [sponsored](#) or [co-sponsored](#) .

Committee Reports

The House of Representatives divides its work among over twenty permanent [committees](#) .

Normally, before a piece of legislation is considered by the House, it has been reviewed by at least one of the committees and a report is issued by that committee describing the legislation and indicating (on section-by-section basis) how the proposed statute changes existing statutes.

These are the

[committee reports of the current Congress](#)

[Committee on Education and the Workforce](#)

- Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training
- Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions Subcommittee (HELP)

[Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure](#)

- Subcommittee on Highways and Transit
- Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials
- Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment

Proceedings of the House

The Congressional Record is the official transcript of the proceedings and debates of the U.S. Congress. The full text of the [Congressional Record](#) is published the day after each meeting of the House or Senate. A [summary of what](#)

[is happening currently on the Floor of the House](#)

is also available as the debate occurs.

Rules and Precedent of the House

The [House Rules and Precedents](#) are the official documents that spell out the process by which legislation is considered by the House and its committees; as well as specifying the authority of the officers and committees of the House. Several collections of material explaining the rules and precedents are available through the House Rules Committee:

[General Parliamentary Procedure](#)

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[House Committee Procedures](#)

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[House Floor Procedures](#)

, and

[House and Senate parliamentary procedure](#)

(originally compiled by the Congressional Research Services of the Library of Congress).

Legislative Process

[Tying It All Together: Learn About the Legislative Process](#) , [How Our Laws Are Made](#) , and [Enactment of a Law](#)

are publications that discuss the steps of our Federal lawmaking process from the source of an idea for a legislative proposal through its publication as a statute. A

[kid's version of](#)

[How Laws Are Made](#)

is also available.

Roll Call Votes

The record of how each Member of the House voted on each vote where the vote was conducted electronically is available. These are the [roll call votes](#) .

Schedule of the House

Various schedules of upcoming House activities are available. On a daily basis, there is the Majority Leader's [Daily Schedule](#). On a weekly basis, there is the [Weekly House Program](#) prepared by the Clerk of the House and the [Weekly Schedule](#) prepared by the House Majority Leader. On an annual basis, there is the [Majority Whip's annual House Calendar](#).

Federal Laws

The [U.S. Code](#) is the official compilation of the current Federal statutes of a general and permanent nature. The Code is arranged according to subject matter under [subject headings \("titles"\)](#) [50](#). The Code sets out the current status of the laws, incorporating all amendments into the text. Prior to being added to the U.S. Code, individual laws are published in pamphlet form as "slip laws" which are later collected together in chronological order (not in subject order) as the [Statutes at Large](#).