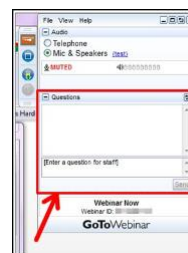


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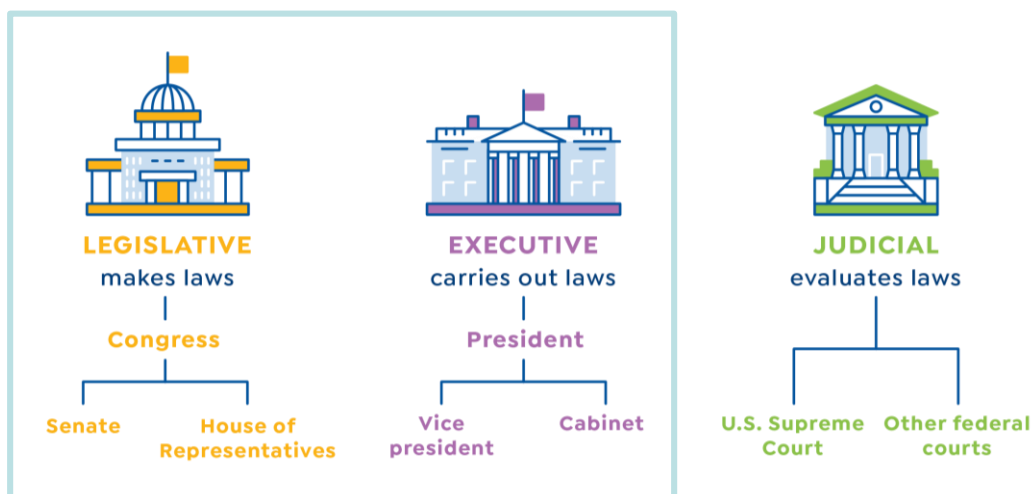


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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE BUDGET

Fundamental and applied research and development (R&D) enables the innovation needed to support the American economy and maintain the leadership of the nation. Innovation is critical to national security, health care, the development of new products and industries, provides the knowledge needed for economic recovery and supports a robust economy. Full federal support and contributions from private industry are required. Fundamental research emphasizes discovery, applied research brings discoveries to the front of use, and development leads to products and processes for widespread use. The entire R&D pipeline is needed for innovation, depending on the contributions of all levels of public chemistry and biomedical research for the identification of new drugs, vaccines, and treatments for disease; basic, applied and support of R&D, including noncommercial programs, provide benefits in the form of a well-trained workforce, new materials, and new processes for national security, energy storage and supply, sustainability, agriculture, food, medicine, aerotechnology, environmental impact, and the development of fundamental methods as platforms for multiple applications.

Government funding of fundamental and applied research leads to discoveries that have historically supported our industries. The vital development often relies on government funding since the private industry is slow. Unfortunately, data by the National Science Foundation Science and Engineering indicators show that federal research support of basic and applied R&D is a percentage of gross domestic product (GDP) has fallen in recent decades, such that total U.S. R&D funding will soon fall behind that in the East Asia region. The indicators also document that federal support of research and particularly the critical development phase has steadily decreased. Taken together, these point to a significant threat to American scientific leadership, competitiveness, and innovation.

Sustained and predictable federal funding can exert an especially strong impact on productivity in several areas. Federally funded fundamental and applied research releases and fosters new discoveries and their translation towards useful products. Additional federal support can respond to development demands, ease when the development work faces a dead-end period. Federal funding of basic research, the long-term, open-ended, and often unpredictable, is essential to the development of the tools, methods, and equipment essential for our scientific leadership. Federal funding of regulatory agencies is key to ensuring the new products and processes are safe for human health and the environment. Federal funding also needs to be reform to strong peer review and other innovations, such as from the United States Regulatory Development Guide and the collaboration of the National Science Board, the National Research Council, and the National Academies.

Create ideas emerge when scientists from multiple backgrounds collaborate on interdisciplinary teams. A diverse, STEM educational workforce provides a critical foundation for the innovation and development of new products and processes. The U.S. must continue to invest in STEM education, including the open-ended basic research and development programs, and support the training and retention of scientists and engineers in the U.S., who go on to create and bring to market, and have the potential of innovators. Federal programs that ensure that the opportunities and gains from education are distributed equitably across sectors in our nation also support domestic science and the development of the national science, technology, and innovation workforce.

The American Chemical Society (ACS) Board of Directors Commission on Public Policy and Public Policy Statement 2016-2021: Science and Technology in the Budget. The Commission was established in 2015 to study and report on the role of chemistry in the U.S. economy and the role of chemistry in the U.S. economy and the role of chemistry in the U.S. economy. The Commission's report is available at www.acs.org/policy.

Specific Successes



ACS Advocacy Highlights:

- Sustainability

ACS Defensive Advocacy:

- Tax legislation



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- Not at all aware, this is the first I'm learning about them





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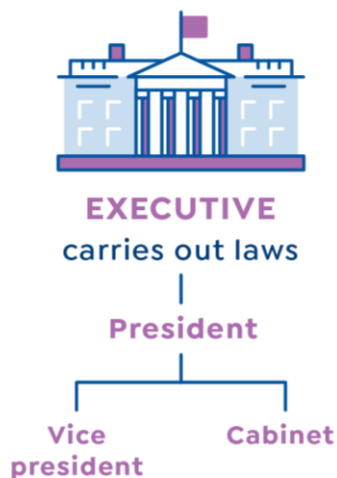
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Executive Branch Appointments

Administrations have ~4000 political appointments to make

- Approximately 1200 posts require Senate confirmation
- 81 positions have been confirmed
- 160 are being considered



Executive Branch Appointments



- **Confirmed Appointments of Interest to ACS**
 - **Director of the Office of Science & Technology Policy (OSTP)** – Eric Lander
 - **Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)** – Michael J. Regan
 - **Secretary of Energy** – Jennifer Granholm
 - **Co-Chairs of the President's Council of Advisors on Science & Technology (PCAST)** – Francis Arnold and Maria Zuber

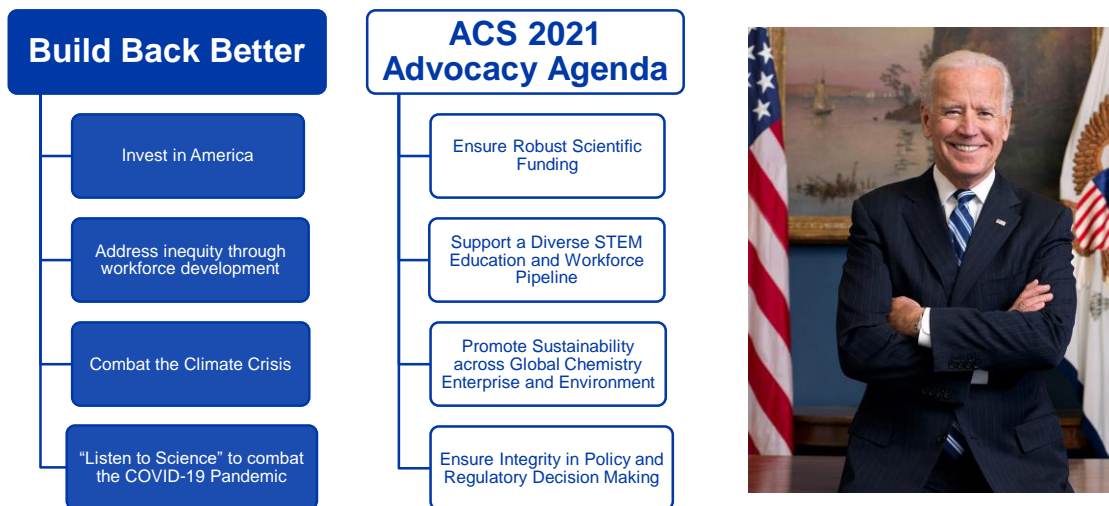


Positions Awaiting Action



- **Awaiting Confirmation**
 - **DOE** - Geraldine Richmond, Undersecretary for Science
 - **DOE** - Asmeret Berhe, Office of Science Director
 - **U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazards Investigation Board (CSB)**
3 nominees: Sylvia Johnson, Steve Owens, Jennifer Sass
- **Outstanding Vacancies**
 - **5th / Final CSB Board Member**
 - **NIST Director** (Undersecretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology)

The Biden Administration Priorities



President's Budget Request



"Don't tell me what you value, show me your budget, and I'll tell you what you value."

- U.S. President Joe Biden

- The Fiscal Year 2022 PBR is the first step of the Budget process and was released on June 2, 2021
- It sets the Administration's priorities for the coming year, but Congress actually sets the budget, which may (or may not) follow the PBR

Fiscal Year 2022 President's Budget Request



Program/Agency	FY2021 (millions)	FY2022 Request (millions)
DOE Office of Science	\$7,026	\$7,440
NIST	\$1,034	\$1,497
NSF Research and Related Activity	\$6,909	\$8,139
ARPA-E	\$427	\$500
ARPA-C	- (newly established)	\$200
NIH	\$42,934	\$51,953

Relevant Administration Priorities



- COVID-Relief
- Climate Change
- Diversity & Racial Equity
- S&T Innovation & Competitiveness
- Sustainability
- Infrastructure

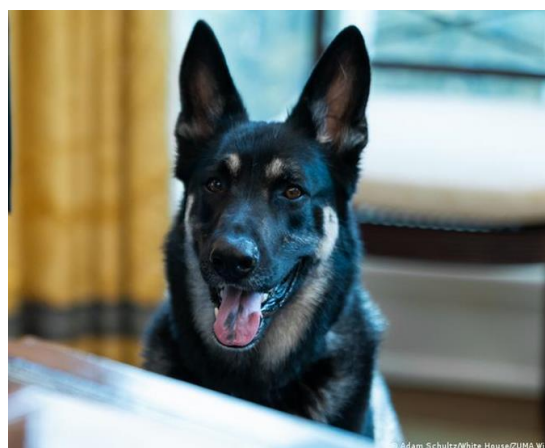


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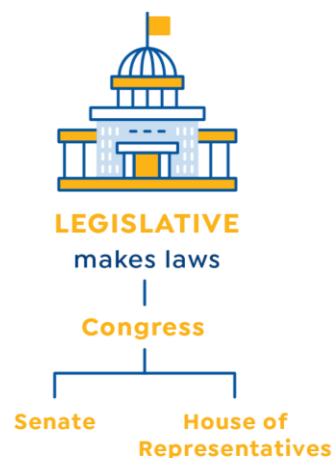
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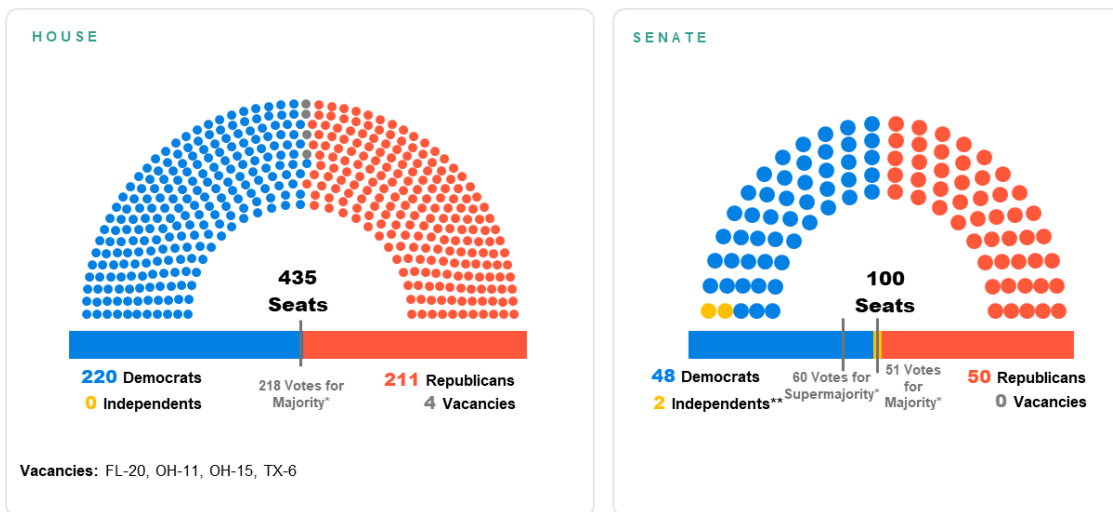
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117th Congress: ACS Advocacy Agenda

- Ensure Robust Scientific Funding
- Support a Diverse STEM Education and Workforce Pipeline
- Promote Sustainability across Global Chemistry Enterprise and Environment
- Ensure Integrity of Science in Policy and Regulatory Decision Making

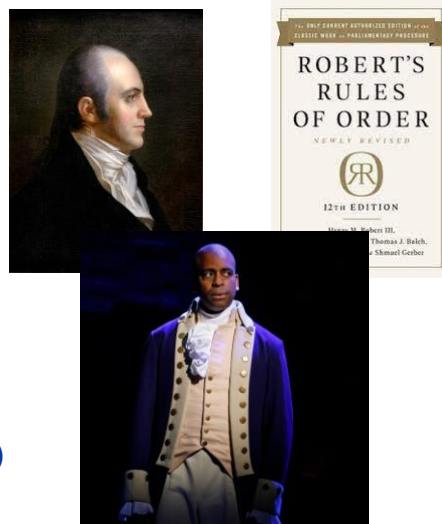


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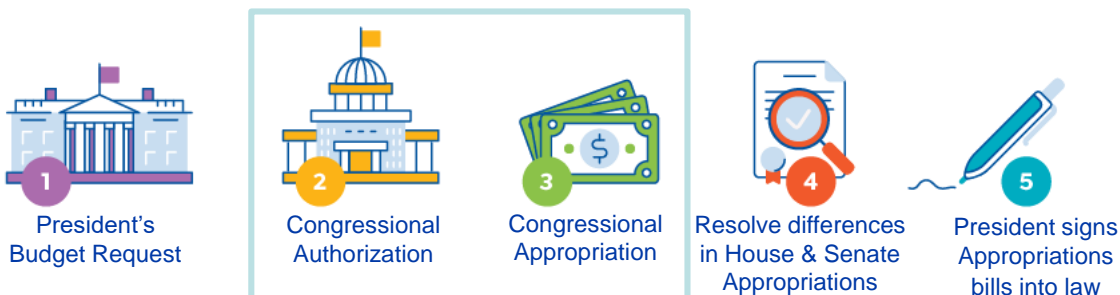


Senate Procedures 101: Why You Should Care

- **Filibuster**
 - Previous question
 - Cloture = $3/5 = 60$ votes to end debate
- **Reconciliation**
 - Budget Act of 1974
 - Automatically limits debate to 20 hours
 - Spending or revenue “impact”
 - 51 votes (or 50+VP in case of a 50-50 tie)



The Budget Process: Authorization vs. Appropriation

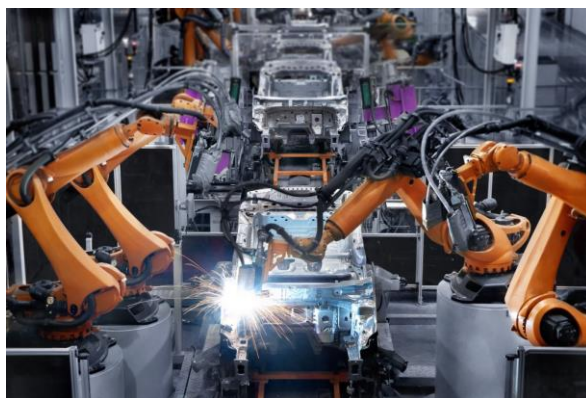


- Authorization = permission to buy something
- Appropriation = writing the check

Relevant Congressional Activity



- Fiscal Year 2022 budget
- Innovation bills
- Infrastructure
- Sustainability
- STEM Education
- Nominations assembly line



Innovation Authorization Legislation



House

- **NSF for the Future Act**
 - Increases funding by \$2 Billion in 2022
 - Grows NSF at 6% annual rate
 - Establishes Technology Directorate
- **DOE Science for the Future Act**
 - Increases DOE Science from \$7 Billion to \$11 Billion over 5 years
 - Guidance for Facilities & Research
 - Helium Conservation
- **Sustainable Chemistry**
- **ACS Endorsed**

Senate

- **U.S. Innovation and Competitiveness Act**
 - \$81 Billion over 5 years for NSF w/ new Tech Directorate
 - \$50 Billion for Domestic Semiconductor development
 - \$10 Billion for NIST technology hubs
 - Research Security
 - Visa Limitations

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Infrastructure, and What Is It?



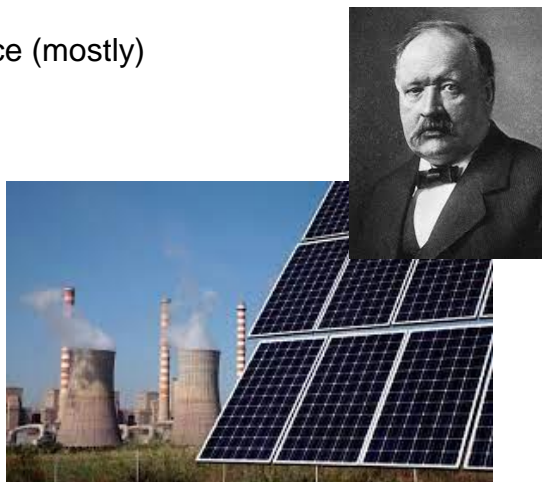
- Highways
- Public transit
- Water/wastewater
- Pedestrian
- Ports and terminals
- Broadband
- Electric grid
- Government buildings
- Senior home care



Sustainability and Climate Change



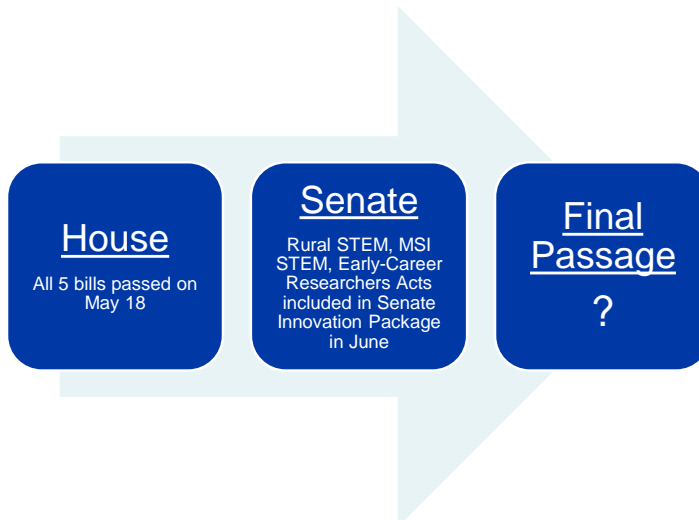
- Acceptance of climate change science (mostly)
- Taxing carbon vs. regulating carbon
- Renewable energy standards
- Plastic waste
 - Research
 - Regulation
 - Waste collection
- Green and sustainable chemistry



STEM Education



- Combating Sexual Harassment in Science Act
- The STEM Opportunities Act
- The MSI STEM Achievement Act
- Rural STEM Education Research Act
- Supporting Early-Career Researchers Act



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Which topic do you think is MOST important for ACS to advocate for?

- Sustainability
- STEM Education
- Research funding
- Climate change
- They are all important – I can't choose just one!



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Karen Garcia
June 30, 2021



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