

# Rep. Bart Gordon Reappointed Committee Chairman

On November 20, the Democratic caucus re-elected Congressman Bart Gordon as Chairman of the House Com-

mittee on Science and Technology for the 111th Congress.

"I am honored and excited to continue our work at the Committee on Science and Technology," said Chairman Bart Gordon. there is much more work to be done, especially in light of our country's current economic prob- Chairman Bart Gordon lems. The major challenges facing



our country — a foundering economy, a changing climate, a growing need for clean energy we produce at home will be solved by science, technology, and American innovation. It's more important than ever that we are looking at how we can grow new sectors of the U.S. economy and ensure our long-term competitiveness."

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## **Accomplishments of 110th Congress**

Throughout the 110th Congress, the Committee has strived to promote American innovation, global competitiveness, and new energy research. The America COM-PETES Act was created to help drive America's economic competitiveness by supporting education and innovation. The Advanced Research Projects Agency for Energy (ARPA-E), part of COMPETES, will revolutionize how our country develops new energy technologies. ARPA-E aims to foster innovation and be the bridge to the new energy economy.

In addition, the Committee shepherded a one-year NASA reauthorization into law, reaffirming a national commitment to a balanced, robust program of science, aeronautics, and human spaceflight and exploration. Also, Committee contributions to the Energy Independence and Security Act expanded research, development, and the demonstration of energy technologies, and promoted renewable energy, energy efficiency, and clean coal technologies.

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## **Looking Ahead**

The Committee will begin the 111th Congress by continuing its work on a national water initiative and the disposal of Ewaste. The Committee will also work on legislation to reauthorize the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Act, and the National Nanotechnology (NNI) Act.

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Sincerely,



Bart Gordon, Chairman. U.S. House Committee

### 110th Legislative Accomplishments

- 123 Hearings
- 17 Full Committee Markups
- 11 Sub Committee Markups
- 82 S&T legislation passed by House (45 Bills & 37 Resolutions)
- 27 bills enacted into 12 Public Laws

## **Important Upcoming** Dates

Week of December 8 — House is in session January 6 — House will convene to swear in Members of the 111th Congress and be in session that week.

January 20 — Presidential Inauguration

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