



# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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## House Bill 158 – Military; United States Space Force

### *Sponsor Statement*

House Bill 158 MILITARY; UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE would add the United States Space Force to locations in Alaska Statute where the other armed forces are already listed.

As our nation's newest military branch, the US Space Force plays a critical role in defending our country's interests in space and ensuring the safety and security of our citizens. It is essential that we recognize the important contributions of the US Space Force personnel by listing them alongside the other branches of the military in statute.

As home to the Clear Space Force Station and 13<sup>th</sup> Space Warning Squadron, it is especially important for Alaska to recognize this newly formed branch of the Armed Forces.

This legislation will ensure future veterans of the Space Force receive the benefits and recognition they deserve and that the Space Force is recognized and respected alongside the other branches of our armed forces in Alaska Statutes.