

Environment & Energy Congressional Round-Up | July 24 - July 28, 2023

Highlights:

The Senate passed the *National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024* (NDAA) ([S.2226](#)) last week. The Senate version of this annual “must-pass” legislation includes provisions promoting nuclear energy deployment, domestic mineral production, and public health. With the House NDAA ([H.R.2670](#)) having passed the week prior, the two bills are expected to be reconciled in the Conference Committee following the August Congressional recess.

The *REAP Modernization Act* ([S.2594/H.R.5051](#)) was introduced in both the House and Senate last week with bipartisan support. The bill, introduced by Rep. Abigail Spanberger (D-Va.) and Sen. Tina Smith (D-Minn.), aims to strengthen the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA’s) Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) by improving farmers’, rural electric cooperatives’, and small businesses’ access to funding to install renewable energy upgrades.

Companion bills to address impacts of extreme heat have surfaced in both chambers of Congress. Re-introduced by Reps. Suzanne Bonamici (D-Ore.), Marilyn Strickland (WA-10) and Ruben Gallego (AZ-03) in the House and by Sens. Ed Markey (D-Mass.), Alex Padilla (D-Calif.), and Kyrsten Sinema (I-Ariz.) in the Senate, the *Preventing Health Emergencies and Temperature-Related (HEAT) Illness and Deaths Act* ([H.R.4953/S.2645](#)) would improve interagency efforts to address heat impacts and provide millions of dollars in financial assistance for communities to reduce heat exposure. EESI’s Living with Climate Change [briefing series](#) highlights federal and local efforts to adapt to extreme heat.

Efforts to support young farmers cropped up in both the House and the Senate. The *Crop Insurance for Future Farmers Act* ([S.2458](#)), introduced by Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.), would make crop insurance more affordable for beginning farmers and ranchers. Rep. Brad Finstad (R-Minn.) introduced the *Agriculture Skills Preparation for Industry Recruitment Efforts* (ASPIRE) Act ([H.R.4861](#)), which would reauthorize training and outreach for agricultural workers in the 2023 Farm Bill. A companion bill ([S.2341](#)) was introduced in the Senate the week prior by Sen. Tina Smith (D-Minn.). Check out EESI’s [article](#) on policy solutions to roadblocks faced by young farmers.

The Senate Committee on Indian Affairs held a [hearing](#) entitled *Native Priorities for the 2023 Farm Bill Reauthorization*. EESI’s final Farm Bill in Focus [briefing](#), *Conservation Practices from Farms to Forests and Wetlands*, emphasized the importance of

indigenous knowledge and expertise to the success of conservation efforts within the upcoming Farm Bill.

July 28, 2023

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.5070](#)

To amend the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 to improve interagency coordination in the pesticide registration process, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Arrington, Jodey C. \[Rep.-R-TX-19\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5075](#)

To direct the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to prohibit covered utilities from recovering covered expenses from ratepayers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Castor, Kathy \[Rep.-D-FL-14\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.5078](#)

To amend the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act of 1978 to strengthen oversight over foreign investment in the United States agricultural industry, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Feenstra, Randy \[Rep.-R-IA-4\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Financial Services; Foreign Affairs; Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/28/2023 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, Foreign Affairs, and Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.5085](#)

To amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act to fully protect the safety of children and the environment, to remove dangerous pesticides from use, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [McGovern, James P. \[Rep.-D-MA-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5086](#)

To amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to exclude from income, for the purpose of determining eligibility and benefits, increased income received from cost of living adjustments made under titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act, section 3(a)(1) of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 (45 U.S.C. 231b(a)(1)), or section 5312 of title 38 of the United States Code, and income received from supplementary payments received under section 1616 of the Social Security Act.

Sponsor: [Moore, Gwen \[Rep.-D-WI-4\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5087](#)

To require the Secretary of Agriculture to submit a report to Congress on Department of Agriculture spending related to seafood purchases and grants, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Pallone, Frank, Jr. \[Rep.-D-NJ-6\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5088](#)

To provide for the settlement of the water rights claims of the Fort Belknap Indian Community, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rosendale Sr., Matthew M. \[Rep.-R-MT-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.5089](#)

To amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify Congressional intent regarding the regulation of the use of pesticides in or near navigable waters, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rouzer, David \[Rep.-R-NC-7\]](#)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/28/2023 Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker,

[H.R.5090](#)

To support research, development, demonstration, and other activities to develop innovative vehicle technologies, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Stevens, Haley M. \[Rep.-D-MI-11\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 07/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.5091](#)

To require the Secretary of Agriculture to annually publish certain data with respect to grape production, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Tenney, Claudia \[Rep.-R-NY-24\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5092](#)

To amend title XVII of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to specify that the Secretary of Energy may not make a loan guarantee under such title for a project if the applicable borrower has previously defaulted on an obligation guaranteed under such title, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Walberg, Tim \[Rep.-R-MI-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 07/28/2023 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.Res.637](#)

Commending the Southeastern Wildlife Exposition for its 40 years of celebrating the great outdoors.

Sponsor: [Mace, Nancy \[Rep.-R-SC-1\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

Senate:

No environmental or energy related activity in the Senate today

July 27, 2023

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.4953](#)

To reduce the health risks of heat by establishing the National Integrated Heat Health Information System within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the National Integrated Heat Health Information System Interagency Committee to improve extreme heat preparedness, planning, and response, requiring a study, and establishing financial assistance programs to address heat effects, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Bonamici, Suzanne \[Rep.-D-OR-1\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.4956](#)

To establish an advisory committee to inform Congress of the impact of Waters of the United States regulations on United States agriculture, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Yakym, Rudy \[Rep.-R-IN-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.4978](#)

To provide for the protection of agricultural workers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Casar, Greg \[Rep.-D-TX-35\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Education and the Workforce; Financial Services; Oversight and Accountability; House Administration; Judiciary

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Financial Services, Oversight and Accountability, House Administration, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.4979](#)

To regulate market concentration and competition in the food and agriculture industry, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Casar, Greg \[Rep.-D-TX-35\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Judiciary

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

[H.R.4990](#)

To require the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program to provide grants and loans to support and expand the domestic solar component manufacturing supply chain, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Dingell, Debbie \[Rep.-D-MI-6\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.4996](#)

To establish a Critical Materials Processing Technology Testbed Capability, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Foster, Bill \[Rep.-D-IL-11\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.4997](#)

To provide for determination of the grizzly bear species consistent with the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Fulcher, Russ \[Rep.-R-ID-1\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.5004](#)

To withdraw certain land located in Curry County and Josephine County, Oregon, from all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws, location, entry, and patent under the mining laws, and operation under the mineral leasing and geothermal leasing laws, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Hoyle, Val T. \[Rep.-D-OR-4\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.5007](#)

To provide for green and resilient health care infrastructure, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Jayapal, Pramila \[Rep.-D-WA-7\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.5009](#)

To reauthorize wildlife habitat and conservation programs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Joyce, David P. \[Rep.-R-OH-14\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.5015](#)

To amend the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the Chief of the Forest Service, to enter into contracts, grants, and agreements to carry out certain ecosystem restoration activities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Leger Fernandez, Teresa \[Rep.-D-NM-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

[H.R.5016](#)

To increase efficiency and conservation in public water systems, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Levin, Mike \[Rep.-D-CA-49\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R.5021

To prohibit the sale or transfer of certain critical minerals to foreign entities of concern.

Sponsor: [McCollum, Betty \[Rep.-D-MN-4\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.5022

To place a moratorium on the issuance and renewal of certain Federal authorizations for mountaintop removal coal mining until a health study is conducted, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [McGarvey, Morgan \[Rep.-D-KY-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Energy and Commerce; Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

H.R.5023

To expand opportunity for agricultural producers, increase consumer choice in food markets, and enhance American international competitiveness by establishing new programs for food innovation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [McGovern, James P. \[Rep.-D-MA-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

H.R.5031

To reauthorize the Joint Chiefs Landscape Restoration Partnership program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Neguse, Joe \[Rep.-D-CO-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

[H.R.5033](#)

To provide standing authority and accountability for the Secretary of Agriculture and senior leadership of the Department of Agriculture to improve the equitable availability and distribution of services and program benefits to the people of the United States, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Phillips, Dean \[Rep.-D-MN-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5043](#)

To amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to create permanent payments within the environmental quality incentives program for soil health practices and carbon sequestration monitoring, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Salinas, Andrea \[Rep.-D-OR-6\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5044](#)

To require the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out certain activities relating to research for wood products, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Salinas, Andrea \[Rep.-D-OR-6\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5045](#)

To establish the Chesapeake National Recreation Area as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sarbanes, John P. \[Rep.-D-MD-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.5051](#)

To amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to improve the Rural Energy for America Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Spanberger, Abigail Davis \[Rep.-D-VA-7\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5052](#)

To amend the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to provide grants for outdoor recreation projects to spur economic development, with a focus on rural communities, and to provide training for rural communities on funding opportunities for outdoor recreation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Stansbury, Melanie Ann \[Rep.-D-NM-1\]](#)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure; Financial Services; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, and Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.5057](#)

To require the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out a program to provide payments to producers experiencing certain crop losses as a result of a disaster.

Sponsor: [Thompson, Mike \[Rep.-D-CA-4\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5059](#)

To amend the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 to allow certain States to directly purchase commodities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Tokuda, Jill N. \[Rep.-D-HI-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5061](#)

To amend the Specialty Crops Competitiveness Act of 2004 to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a program under which the Secretary will award grants to eligible organizations to encourage the development, maintenance, and expansion of commercial domestic market for domestically produced specialty crop commodities.

Sponsor: [Valadao, David G. \[Rep.-R-CA-22\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5062](#)

To amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a program under which the Secretary will award grants to specialty crop producers to acquire certain equipment and provide training with respect to the use of such equipment.

Sponsor: [Valadao, David G. \[Rep.-R-CA-22\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5067](#)

To require the Secretary of Energy to establish a task force to study and report on supply chains for local electric distribution grids in the United States, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Wittman, Robert J. \[Rep.-R-VA-1\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Bills Reported:

[H.R.1435](#)

Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act

Sponsor: [Joyce, John \[Rep.-R-PA-13\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 26 - 22.

Bills Passed:

[S.J.Res.9](#)

A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Lesser Prairie-Chicken; Threatened Status with Section 4(d) Rule for the Northern Distinct Population Segment and Endangered Status for the Southern Distinct Population Segment".

Sponsor: [Marshall, Roger \[Sen.-R-KS\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

[S.J.Res.24](#)

A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for Northern Long-Eared Bat".

Sponsor: [Mullin, Markwayne \[Sen.-R-OK\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: House - 07/27/2023 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Committee Meetings:

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a [hearing](#) entitled "Safeguarding American Jobs and Economic Growth: Examining the Future of the Offshore Leasing Program". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries held a [hearing](#) on [H.R. 1437](#), the "Black Vulture Relief Act of 2023"; [H.R. 1792](#), the "South Pacific Tuna Treaty Act of 2023"; [H.R. 2950](#), the "Coastal Habitat Conservation Act of 2023"; [H.R. 2982](#), the "New York-New Jersey Watershed Protection Act"; [H.R. 4051](#), the "SHARKED Act"; [H.R. 4094](#), the "Great Salt Lake Stewardship Act"; [H.R. 4587](#), the "Red Snapper Act"; and [H.R. 4596](#), the "Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins Endangered Fish Recovery Programs Reauthorization Act of 2023". Testimony was heard from Representatives Wittman, Radewagen, Curtis, Boebert, Rutherford, Tonko, Rose, and Huffman; Kelly Kryc, Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Stephen Guertin, Deputy Director for Program Management and Policy, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a [hearing](#) entitled "Examining Barriers to Access: Ongoing Visitor Experience Issues at America's National Parks". Testimony was heard from Charles F. Sams III, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

Other Committee Actions:

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee began a markup on.... [H.R. 4824](#), the "Carbon Sequestration Collaboration Act"; [H.R. 4877](#), the "Abandoned Well Remediation Research and Development Act"; [H.R. 1069](#), the "Clean Energy Demonstration Transparency Act of 2023"; [H.R. 3915](#), the "Aviation Weather

Improvement Act"; and [H.R. 4866](#), the "Fire Weather Development Act of 2023". [H.R. 4755](#), [H.R. 4877](#), [H.R. 1069](#), [H.R. 3915](#), and [H.R. 4866](#) were ordered reported, as amended. [H.R. 4824](#) was ordered reported, without amendment.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a markup on...[H.R. 1752](#), the "Eliminating Barriers to Rural Internet Development Grant Eligibility Act."

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.2558](#)

A bill to reauthorize the Joint Chiefs Landscape Restoration Partnership program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Bennet, Michael F. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2564](#)

A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to address emissions of certain greenhouse gasses and carbon storage through conservation incentive contracts.

Sponsor: [Carper, Thomas R. \[Sen.-D-DE\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2568](#)

A bill to require State field offices of the National Resources Conservation Service to give preference to in-State applicants.

Sponsor: [Braun, Mike \[Sen.-R-IN\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2570](#)

A bill to amend the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 to provide technical assistance to improve infrastructure in foreign markets for United States agricultural commodities.

Sponsor: [Braun, Mike \[Sen.-R-IN\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2571](#)

A bill to provide for determination of the grizzly bear species consistent with the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Risch, James E. \[Sen.-R-ID\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

[S.2582](#)

A bill to establish an integrated research, education, and extension competitive grant program and scholarship grant program for certain Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-serving agricultural institutions, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Hirono, Mazie K. \[Sen.-D-HI\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2583](#)

A bill to ban new corporate ownership of agricultural land, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Booker, Cory A. \[Sen.-D-NJ\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2588](#)

A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to create permanent payments within the environmental quality incentives program for soil health practices and carbon sequestration monitoring, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Wyden, Ron \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2589](#)

A bill to amend the Research Facilities Act and the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 to address deferred maintenance at agricultural research facilities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Hirono, Mazie K. \[Sen.-D-HI\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2591](#)

A bill to amend the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 to improve the Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Fetterman, John \[Sen.-D-PA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2594](#)

A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to improve the Rural Energy for America Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Smith, Tina \[Sen.-D-MN\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2595](#)

A bill to provide standing authority and accountability for the Secretary of Agriculture and senior leadership of the Department of Agriculture to improve the equitable availability and distribution of services and program benefits to the people of the United States, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Smith, Tina \[Sen.-D-MN\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2598](#)

A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to modify whole farm revenue protection, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Brown, Sherrod \[Sen.-D-OH\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2601](#)

A bill to provide for the protection of agricultural workers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Welch, Peter \[Sen.-D-VT\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

[S.2603](#)

A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to streamline conservation practice standards, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Ernst, Joni \[Sen.-R-IA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2604](#)

A bill to amend the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to provide grants for outdoor recreation projects to spur economic development, with a focus on rural communities, and to provide training for rural communities on funding opportunities for outdoor recreation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Bennet, Michael F. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

[S.2605](#)

An original bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Merkley, Jeff \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Appropriations

Committee Report: [S. Rept. 118-83](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 186.

S.2610

A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to modify payment and other limitations for commodity programs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Grassley, Chuck \[Sen.-R-IA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2611

A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to expand the snow survey and water supply forecasting program to serve the Northeastern United States.

Sponsor: [Shaheen, Jeanne \[Sen.-D-NH\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2614

A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to expand the provision of farmer-led technical assistance, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lujan, Ben Ray \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2615

A bill to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to provide that Village Corporations shall not be required to convey land in trust to the State of Alaska for the establishment of Municipal Corporations, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Murkowski, Lisa \[Sen.-R-AK\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.2619

A bill to amend the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 to eliminate the prohibition on indirect costs with respect to aquaculture assistance, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Hirono, Mazie K. \[Sen.-D-HI\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2620](#)

A bill to establish the Chesapeake National Recreation Area as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Van Hollen, Chris \[Sen.-D-MD\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.2630](#)

A bill to establish the Shenandoah Mountain National Scenic Area in the State of Virginia, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Kaine, Tim \[Sen.-D-VA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2631](#)

A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish the forest conservation easement program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Gillibrand, Kirsten E. \[Sen.-D-NY\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2633](#)

A bill to amend the Packers and Stockyard Act, 1921, to provide administrative enforcement authority over live poultry dealers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Fetterman, John \[Sen.-D-PA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2635](#)

A bill to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to ensure that flexible fuel vehicles may use certain gram per mile carbon dioxide values for purposes of determining fleet average carbon dioxide standards for certain vehicles.

Sponsor: [Klobuchar, Amy \[Sen.-D-MN\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.2636

A bill to amend the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act to improve that Act, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Bennet, Michael F. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2643

A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to modify eligibility for prevented planting insurance under certain drought conditions, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lujan, Ben Ray \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2645

A bill to reduce the health risks of heat by establishing the National Integrated Heat Health Information System within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the National Integrated Heat Health Information System Interagency Committee to improve extreme heat preparedness, planning, and response, requiring a study, and establishing financial assistance programs to address heat effects, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Markey, Edward J. \[Sen.-D-MA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.2654

A bill to increase efficiency and conservation in public water systems, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

[S.2657](#)

A bill to provide for green and resilient health care infrastructure, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Markey, Edward J. \[Sen.-D-MA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

[S.2659](#)

A bill to provide increased financial assistance for farmers' markets and farmers' market nutrition programs, to increase local agricultural production through food bank in-house production and local farmer contracting, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Bennet, Michael F. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2660](#)

A bill to direct restoration and protection efforts of the 5-State Connecticut River Watershed region, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Shaheen, Jeanne \[Sen.-D-NH\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

[S.2662](#)

A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out certain activities relating to research for wood products, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Wyden, Ron \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2663](#)

A bill to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to reform broadband permitting, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Bennet, Michael F. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2667](#)

A bill to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to include support for sustainable fibers in the Local Agriculture Market Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lujan, Ben Ray \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2668](#)

A bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to reform farm loans, to amend the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 to reform the National Appeals Division process, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Gillibrand, Kirsten E. \[Sen.-D-NY\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2670](#)

A bill to regulate market concentration and competition in the food and agriculture industry, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Welch, Peter \[Sen.-D-VT\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2682](#)

A bill to amend the Agricultural Act of 2014 with respect to the tree assistance program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Warnock, Raphael G. \[Sen.-D-GA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2696](#)

A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to modify the water conservation or irrigation efficiency practice waiver authority.

Sponsor: [Feinstein, Dianne \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2697](#)

A bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to modify the definitions of the terms "rural" and "rural area" for purposes of grants and loans to remedy a lack of compliance with certain drinking water standards, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Feinstein, Dianne \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2698](#)

A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out a program to provide payments to producers experiencing certain crop losses as a result of a disaster.

Sponsor: [Feinstein, Dianne \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2702](#)

A bill to amend the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 to reauthorize the position of Farmworker Coordinator.

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2703](#)

A bill to amend the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 to establish the Office of the Farm and Food System Workforce.

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2704](#)

A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to establish an exception to certain payment limitations in the case of person or legal entity that derives income from agriculture, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2706](#)

A bill to amend the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into cooperative agreements relating to drought prevention, preparedness, response, and mitigation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Fischer, Deb \[Sen.-R-NE\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2707](#)

A bill to amend the Clean Air Act with respect to the ethanol waiver for Reid Vapor Pressure under that Act, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Fischer, Deb \[Sen.-R-NE\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

[S.2709](#)

A bill to amend the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 to establish an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Tribal Relations, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Heinrich, Martin \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2710](#)

A bill to provide for the conservation of the Chesapeake Bay, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Cardin, Benjamin L. \[Sen.-D-MD\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.Res.321](#)

A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate relating to nuclear power and the commitment of the Senate to embracing and promoting nuclear power as a clean baseload energy source necessary to achieve a reliable, secure, and diversified electric grid.

Sponsor: [Budd, Ted \[Sen.-R-NC\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Bills Reported:

[S.2605](#)

Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2024

Sponsor: [Merkley, Jeff \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Appropriations

Committee Report: [S. Rept. 118-83](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 07/27/2023 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 186.

Bills Passed:

[S.2226](#)

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Sponsor: [Reed, Jack \[Sen.-D-RI\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Armed Services

Committee Reports: [S. Rept. 118-58](#)

Latest Action: 07/27/2023 Senate ordered measure printed as passed. ([All Actions](#))

[S.788](#)

Duck Stamp Modernization Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Boozman, John \[Sen.-R-AR\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/28/2023 Message on Senate action sent to the House.

Committee Meetings:

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Chemical Safety, Waste Management, Environmental Justice, and Regulatory Oversight, concluded [hearings](#) to examine solutions for single-use waste, focusing on expanding refill and reuse infrastructure, after receiving testimony from Dacie Meng, Ellen MacArthur Foundation, Washington, D.C.; Clemence Schmid, Loop Global, Geneva, Switzerland; and Tim Debus, Reusable Packaging Association, Murphy, North Carolina.

July 26, 2023

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.4862](#)

To identify the standards required to meet the definition of sustainable aviation fuel at the Federal Aviation Administration.

Sponsor: [Flood, Mike \[Rep.-R-NE-1\]](#)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.

[H.R.4890](#)

To require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of Agriculture to maintain the Urban Waters Federal Partnership Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Stanton, Greg \[Rep.-D-AZ-4\]](#)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure; Natural Resources; Appropriations

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

[H.R.4902](#)

To amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to establish a groundwater conservation easement program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Caraveo, Yadira \[Rep.-D-CO-8\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.4912](#)

To require the evaluation of certain criteria relating to locations for deployment of successor radar systems of the National Weather Service, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Jackson, Jeff \[Rep.-D-NC-14\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.4913](#)

To establish in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration a program to improve precipitation forecasts, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Jackson, Jeff \[Rep.-D-NC-14\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.4917](#)

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide no-cost coverage for PFAS testing under the Medicare program.

Sponsor: [Kildee, Daniel T. \[Rep.-D-MI-8\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

[H.R.4922](#)

To amend title 18, United States Code, to enhance protections against the importation, and transport between States, of injurious species, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Luna, Anna Paulina \[Rep.-R-FL-13\]](#)

Committees: House - Judiciary; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently

determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

[H.R.4936](#)

To amend the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 to repeal restrictions on offshore wind leasing.

Sponsor: [Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria \[Rep.-D-NY-14\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.4937](#)

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the limitation on the estate tax valuation of certain real property used in farming or other trades or businesses.

Sponsor: [Panetta, Jimmy \[Rep.-D-CA-19\]](#)

Committees: House - Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

[H.R.4939](#)

To authorize livestock producers and their employees to take crested caracaras in order to prevent the death of or injury or destruction to livestock, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Pfluger, August \[Rep.-R-TX-11\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.4940](#)

To amend the Farm Credit Act of 1971 to support the commercial fishing industry.

Sponsor: [Pingree, Chellie \[Rep.-D-ME-1\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.4943](#)

To require the Secretary of Agriculture to streamline applications from farmers to be vendors under certain nutrition programs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Scholten, Hillary J. \[Rep.-D-MI-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Education and the Workforce

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

Bills Reported:

[H.R.1722](#)

Grand Ronde Reservation Act Amendment of 2023

Sponsor: [Salinas, Andrea \[Rep.-D-OR-6\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 32 - 0.

[H.R.3049](#)

Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration Exchange Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Curtis, John R. \[Rep.-R-UT-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 30 - 0.

[H.R.3499](#)

Direct Hire To Fight Fires

Sponsor: [Issa, Darrell E. \[Rep.-R-CA-48\]](#)

Committees: House - Oversight and Accountability; Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 32 - 0.

[H.R.3675](#)

Western Water Accelerated Revenue Repayment Act

Sponsor: [Boebert, Lauren \[Rep.-R-CO-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 22 - 14.

[H.R.4377](#)

To amend the Military Lands Withdrawal Act of 1999 with respect to extensions, additions, and revisions to the Barry M. Goldwater Range in Arizona.

Sponsor: [Grijalva, Raúl M. \[Rep.-D-AZ-7\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Armed Services

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 32 - 0.

Committee Meetings:

House Committee on Science, Space and Technology: Energy Subcommittee held a [hearing](#) entitled “Unearthing Innovation: The Future of Subsurface Science and Technology in the United States”

House Committee on Rules: The Committee on Rules met on the following measure: [H.R.4368](#) - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2024.

Other Committee Actions:

House Committee on Natural Resources: The Committee on Natural Resources will hold a [mark-up](#) on the following bills:...H.R. 1722 (Rep. Salinas), “*Grand Ronde Reservation Act Amendment of 2023*”... H.R. 3049 (Rep. Curtis), “*Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration Exchange Act of 2023*”; H.R. 3499 (Rep. Issa), “*Direct Hire to Fight Fires*”; H.R. 3675 (Rep. Boebert), “*Western Water Accelerated Revenue Repayment Act*” (*Amendments to H.R. 3675 must be drafted to the amendment in the nature of a substitute, attached to this notice*); H.R. 4141 (Rep. Fulcher), To provide that certain communications projects are not subject to requirements to prepare certain environmental or historical preservation reviews, and for other purposes (*Amendments to H.R. 4141 must be drafted to the amendment in the nature of a substitute, attached to this notice*); and H.R. 4377 (Rep. Grijalva), To amend the Military Lands Withdrawal Act of 1999 with respect to extensions, additions, and revisions to the Barry M. Goldwater Range in Arizona.

Passed House:

[H.Res.614](#)

Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4366) making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 9) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Lesser Prairie-Chicken; Threatened Status With Section 4(d) Rule for the Northern Distinct Population Segment and Endangered

Status for the Southern Distinct Population Segment"; and providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 24) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for Northern Long-Eared Bat".

Sponsor: [Reschenthaler, Guy \[Rep.-R-PA-14\]](#)

Committees: House - Rules

Committee Report: [H. Rept. 118-158](#)

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.752](#)

Securing Semiconductor Supply Chains Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Eshoo, Anna G. \[Rep.-D-CA-16\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Committee Report: [H. Rept. 118-136](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Received in the Senate.

[H.R.2670](#)

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Sponsor: [Rogers, Mike D. \[Rep.-R-AL-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Armed Services

Committee Reports: [H. Rept. 118-125](#), [H. Rept. 118-141](#), [H. Rept. 118-142](#)

Committee Print: [H.Prt. 118-10](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Received in the Senate.

[S.2501](#)

A bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to promulgate an occupational safety and health standard to protect workers from heat-related injuries and illnesses.

Sponsor: [Brown, Sherrod \[Sen.-D-OH\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

[S.2504](#)

A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to streamline applications from farmers to be vendors under certain nutrition programs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Smith, Tina \[Sen.-D-MN\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2506](#)

A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Route 66 National Historic Trail, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Cruz, Ted \[Sen.-R-TX\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.2507](#)

A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to ensure equal treatment of buy-protect-sell transactions and certain other transactions under the agricultural conservation easement program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Welch, Peter \[Sen.-D-VT\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2514](#)

A bill to amend the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act to modify certain requirements applicable to salinity control units, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Bennet, Michael F. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2520](#)

A bill to require the standardization of reciprocal fire suppression cost share agreements, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lujan, Ben Ray \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

[S.2523](#)

A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to require certain membership on the Board of Directors of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.

Sponsor: [Tuberville, Tommy \[Sen.-R-AL\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2534](#)

A bill to amend the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Authorization Act of 1992 to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Warner, Mark R. \[Sen.-D-VA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

[S.2537](#)

A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to improve access to the food distribution program on Indian reservations, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lujan, Ben Ray \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2540](#)

A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to allow for increased flexibility in the food distribution program on Indian reservations, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lujan, Ben Ray \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2541](#)

A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to require the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation to conduct research and development on the inclusion of certain oilseed crops in double cropping policies, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Tuberville, Tommy \[Sen.-R-AL\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2542](#)

A bill to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to establish a last acre program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Fischer, Deb \[Sen.-R-NE\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2547](#)

A bill to amend the Natural Gas Act to bolster fairness and transparency in the consideration of interstate natural gas pipeline permits, to provide for greater public input opportunities in the natural gas pipeline permitting process, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Kaine, Tim \[Sen.-D-VA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

[S.J.Res.38](#)

A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Federal Highway Administration relating to "Waiver of Buy America Requirements for Electric Vehicle Chargers".

Sponsor: [Rubio, Marco \[Sen.-R-FL\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Bills Reported:

[S.950](#)

Technical Correction to the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation Water Rights Settlement Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Cortez Masto, Catherine \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Indian Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 175.

[S.1381](#)

Coastal Habitat Conservation Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Cardin, Benjamin L. \[Sen.-D-MD\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 177.

[S.2195](#)

Diesel Emissions Reduction Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Carper, Thomas R. \[Sen.-D-DE\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 178.

[S.2283](#)

PFAS-Free Procurement Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Peters, Gary C. \[Sen.-D-MI\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.

[S.2286](#)

Streamlining Federal Grants Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Peters, Gary C. \[Sen.-D-MI\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.

[S.2395](#)

WILD Act

Sponsor: [Carper, Thomas R. \[Sen.-D-DE\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 179.

Committee Meetings:

Senate Committee On Energy & Natural Resources: Full Committee [Hearing](#) to Examine Opportunities for Congress to Reform the Process for Permitting Electric Transmission Lines, Pipelines, and Energy Production on Federal Lands. The purpose

of this hearing is to examine opportunities for Congress to reform the process for permitting electric transmission lines, pipelines, and energy production on federal lands.

Senate Committee on the Budget: Full Committee [Hearing](#) held entitled “*Beyond the Breaking Point: The Fiscal Consequences of Climate Change on Infrastructure*”

Senate Committee on Indian Affairs: Full Committee [Hearing](#) held entitled “*Hearing on Native priorities for the 2023 Farm Bill Reauthorization.*”

Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works: Full Committee [Hearing](#) held entitled “Committee Business Meeting and Improving Capacity for Critical Mineral Recovery through Electronic Waste Recycling and Reuse” that included debate on the following bills: [S. 2195](#), *Diesel Emissions Reduction Act of 2023*, [S. 2395](#), *Wildlife Innovation and Longevity Driver Reauthorization Act*, [S. 1381](#), *Coastal Habitat Conservation Act of 2023*.

Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works: Full Committee [Hearing](#) held entitled “*Cleaner Trains: Opportunities for Reducing Emissions from America’s Rail Network.*”

Other Committee Actions:

Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs held a [Business Meeting](#) that included the markup of [S. 2283](#), *PFAS-Free Procurement Act*.

[S.2226](#)

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Sponsor: [Reed, Jack \[Sen.-D-RI\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Armed Services

Committee Report: [S. Rept. 118-58](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 07/26/2023 [S.Amdt.438](#) Amendment [SA 438](#) under the order of 7/26/2023, not having achieved 60 votes in the affirmative, was not not agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 20 - 78. [Record Vote Number: 201](#).

Passed Senate

[S.J.Res.24](#)

A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife

Service relating to "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for Northern Long-Eared Bat".

Sponsor: [Mullin, Markwayne \[Sen.-R-OK\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: House - 07/26/2023 Rule [H. Res. 614](#) passed House.

July 25, 2023

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.4859](#)

To amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to direct the Secretary of Energy to submit to Congress a report containing an assessment of any physical or cybersecurity incidents to a storage facility or a related facility of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

Sponsor: [Fallon, Pat \[Rep.-R-TX-4\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/25/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.4861](#)

To amend the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 to authorize grants for eligible institutions to carry out agriculture workforce training programs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Finstad, Brad \[Rep.-R-MN-1\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/25/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.4862](#)

To identify the standards required to meet the definition of sustainable aviation fuel at the Federal Aviation Administration.

Sponsor: [Flood, Mike \[Rep.-R-NE-1\]](#)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 07/25/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

[H.R.4866](#)

To direct the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to establish a program to improve fire weather and fire environment forecasting, detection, and local collaboration, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Garcia, Mike \[Rep.-R-CA-27\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 07/25/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.4873](#)

To increase the capacity of the food supply chain in the United States, and create a more resilient, diverse, and secure United States food supply chain, by codifying and expanding the Food Supply Chain Guaranteed Loan Program.

Sponsor: [Khanna, Ro \[Rep.-D-CA-17\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/25/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.4877](#)

To amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to direct the Secretary of Energy to carry out a research, development, and demonstration program with respect to abandoned wells, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lee, Summer L. \[Rep.-D-PA-12\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 07/25/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.4888](#)

To require certain insurance companies to disclose investments and underwriting that relate to coal mining and oil and gas extraction and fossil fuel extraction, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Schiff, Adam B. \[Rep.-D-CA-30\]](#)

Committees: House - Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 07/25/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

[H.R.4890](#)

To require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of Agriculture to maintain the Urban Waters Federal Partnership Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Stanton, Greg \[Rep.-D-AZ-4\]](#)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure; Natural Resources; Appropriations

Latest Action: House - 07/25/2023 Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, and Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

[H.R.4894](#)

To amend the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 to reauthorize the dairy business innovation initiatives.

Sponsor: [Van Orden, Derrick \[Rep.-R-WI-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/25/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

Committee Meetings:

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing ...of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Lesser Prairie-Chicken; Threatened Status with Section 4(d) Rule for the Northern Distinct Population Segment and Endangered Status for the Southern Distinct Population Segment”; and [S.J. Res. 24](#), a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for Northern Long-Eared Bat”...., [S.J. Res. 9](#), Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Lesser Prairie-Chicken; Threatened Status With Section 4(d) Rule for the Northern Distinct Population Segment and Endangered Status for the Southern Distinct Population Segment”, and [S.J. Res. 24](#), Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for Northern Long-Eared Bat”....The rule further provides for consideration of [S.J. Res. 9](#), Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, USC, of the rule submitted by the USFWS relating to “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Lesser Prairie-Chicken; Threatened Status with Section 4(d) Rule for the Northern Distinct Population Segment and Endangered Status for the Southern Distinct Population Segment”, under a closed rule....The rule further provides for consideration

of [S.J. Res. 24](#), Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for Northern Long-Eared Bat”, under a closed rule...The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources or their respective designees. Finally, the rule provides one motion to commit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Westerman, and Representatives Carter of Texas, Cuellar, Grijalva, Greene of Georgia, Mast, Rosendale, and Zinke.

Other Committee Actions:

[H.R.752](#)

Securing Semiconductor Supply Chains Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Eshoo, Anna G. \[Rep.-D-CA-16\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Committee Report: [H. Rept. 118-136](#)

Latest Action: House - 07/25/2023 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.2458](#)

A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to promote crop insurance support for beginning farmers and ranchers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Klobuchar, Amy \[Sen.-D-MN\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/25/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2472](#)

A bill to amend the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 to improve interagency coordination in the pesticide registration process, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Marshall, Roger \[Sen.-R-KS\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/25/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2479](#)

A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to establish an alternative manure management program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/25/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2480](#)

A bill to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to promulgate regulations with respect to regional and interregional transmission planning, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Markey, Edward J. \[Sen.-D-MA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/25/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.2489](#)

A bill to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to allow the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into self-determination contracts with Tribal organizations to carry out the food distribution program on Indian reservations, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Smith, Tina \[Sen.-D-MN\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Indian Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 07/25/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Bills Reported:

[S.943](#)

Small Business Disaster Damage Fairness Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Kennedy, John \[Sen.-R-LA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Latest Action: Senate - 07/25/2023 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 165.

[S.1260](#)

University of Utah Research Park Act

Sponsor: [Lee, Mike \[Sen.-R-UT\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources
Latest Action: Senate - 07/25/2023 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 159.

[S.1466](#)

Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act

Sponsor: [Feinstein, Dianne \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/25/2023 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 160.

[S.1540](#)

A bill to amend the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to provide for circumstances under which reinitiation of consultation is not required under a land and resource management plan or land use plan under those Acts, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Daines, Steve \[Sen.-R-MT\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/25/2023 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 161.

July 24, 2023

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.4824](#)

To amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out terrestrial carbon sequestration research and development activities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Baird, James R. \[Rep.-R-IN-4\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 07/24/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.4835](#)

To extend and increase funding for the Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Program of the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Nunn, Zachary \[Rep.-R-IA-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/24/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture

[H.R.4838](#)

To amend the Specialty Crops Competitiveness Act of 2004 to extend and enhance the specialty crop block grants program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Slotkin, Elissa \[Rep.-D-MI-7\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/24/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

Bills Reported:

[H.R.4821](#)

Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2024

Sponsor: [Simpson, Michael K. \[Rep.-R-ID-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Appropriations

Latest Action: House - 07/24/2023 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 123.

Senate:

No environmental or energy related activity in the Senate today