

Environment & Energy Congressional Round-Up | July 29 - August 2, 2024

Highlights:

The Senate passed the *Good Samaritan Remediation of Abandoned Hardrock Mines Act of 2024* ([S.2781](#)). Sens. Martin Heinrich (D-N.M.) and Jim Risch (R-Idaho) reintroduced the bill in September 2023 to allow qualified environmental and community groups to remediate polluted, abandoned hardrock mines. Reps. Celeste Maloy (R-Utah) and Mary Peltola (D-Alaska) reintroduced a [companion bill](#) in the House in March. EESI's [article](#) on clean energy development on reclaimed mine lands discusses some of the benefits of remediating these sites.

The *Water Resources Development Act of 2024* also passed out of the Senate ([S.4367](#)) with unanimous approval. Sen. Tom Carper (D-Del.), alongside bipartisan cosponsors, penned the legislative package, which reauthorizes flood control, ecosystem restoration, and other water resource projects every two years. The House passed its [version](#) of the bill at the end of July. The two versions will now undergo reconciliation before a final version is presented to the president.

The Senate Committee on Appropriations approved the *Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2025* ([S.4927](#)). The bill will move on to the Senate floor for amendment and debate, while the House continues to debate its own [version](#) of the bill. As the fiscal year 2025 budget process continues, follow along with the help of EESI's [briefing](#), *Understanding the Budget and Appropriations Process*.

The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation approved the *Sea Turtle Rescue Assistance and Rehabilitation Act of 2023* ([S.2086](#)). Reintroduced by Sens. Ed Markey (D-Mass.) and John Cornyn (R-Texas), the bill establishes a grant program to fund the recovery of stranded marine turtles and bolster research and monitoring. The House passed its [version](#) of the bill, introduced by Rep. William Keating (D-Mass.), in April.

August 2, 2024

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.9238](#)

To accelerate the commercialization of marine energy technologies, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Barragán, Nanette Diaz \[Rep.-D-CA-44\]](#) Cosponsors: (8)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology; Energy and Commerce; Natural Resources; Education and the Workforce

Latest Action: House - 08/02/2024 Referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Natural Resources, and Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of.

[H.R.9240](#)

To amend the Specialty Crops Competitiveness Act of 2004 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a pilot program to provide recovery payments to producers of seasonal and perishable crops that experience low prices caused by imports, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Bishop, Sanford D. \[Rep.-D-GA-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 08/02/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.9252](#)

To amend the National Windstorm Impact Reduction Act of 2004 to reauthorize the National Windstorm Impact Reduction Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Foster, Bill \[Rep.-D-IL-11\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology; Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 08/02/2024 Referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker

[H.R.9263](#)

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a credit for investments in innovative agricultural technology.

Sponsor: [Kelly, Mike \[Rep.-R-PA-16\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 08/02/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

[H.R.9265](#)

To combat the negative environmental, ecological, and public health impacts of People's Republic of China and People's Republic of China-linked investments in sub-Saharan Africa.

Sponsor: [Kim, Young \[Rep.-R-CA-40\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Foreign Affairs; Judiciary

Latest Action: House - 08/02/2024 Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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.9273](#)

To prohibit oil and gas leasing on the outer Continental Shelf off the coast of New England.

Sponsor: [Magaziner, Seth \[Rep.-D-RI-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (14)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 08/02/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.9277](#)

To prohibit Federal agencies from implementing environmental justice standards when issuing rules, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Newhouse, Dan \[Rep.-R-WA-4\]](#) Cosponsors: (5)

Committees: House - Judiciary; Natural Resources; Energy and Commerce; Science, Space, and Technology; Foreign Affairs; Financial Services; Oversight and Accountability; Agriculture; Transportation and Infrastructure; Intelligence (Permanent Select); Armed Services

Latest Action: House - 08/02/2024 Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, Energy and Commerce, Science, Space, and Technology, Foreign Affairs, Financial Services, Oversight and Accountability, Agriculture, Transportation and Infrastructure, Intelligence (Permanent Select), and Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.9283](#)

To reform the process for listing a species as threatened or endangered under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Pfluger, August \[Rep.-R-TX-11\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 08/02/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.9286](#)

To direct the Secretary of Defense to expedite the implementation of early actions to mitigate the migration of groundwater contaminated by per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances from a source located on a military installation to protect or minimize the effects on groundwater, surface water, underground sources of drinking water, and sediment, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Slotkin, Elissa \[Rep.-D-MI-7\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Armed Services

Latest Action: House - 08/02/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.

[H.R.9294](#)

To encourage the Secretary of the Army to support the implementation of hybrid-electric engine technology within the High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle fleet, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Slotkin, Elissa \[Rep.-D-MI-7\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Armed Services

Latest Action: House - 08/02/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.

[H.J.Res.199](#)

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration relating to "Corporate Average Fuel Economy Standards for Passenger Cars and Light Trucks for Model Years 2027 and Beyond and Fuel Efficiency Standards for Heavy-Duty Pickup Trucks and Vans for Model Years 2030 and Beyond".

Sponsor: [Walberg, Tim \[Rep.-R-MI-5\]](#) Cosponsors: (64)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 08/02/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Senate:

No environmental or energy activity in the Senate today.

August 1, 2024

House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.4927](#)

A bill making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Murray, Patty \[Sen.-D-WA\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Appropriations

Committee Report: [S. Rept. 118-205](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 469.

[S.4948](#)

A bill to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish a grant program to foster enhanced coexistence between ocean users and North Atlantic right whales and other large cetacean species.

Sponsor: [Manchin, Joe, III \[Sen.-I-WV\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

[S.4952](#)

A bill to establish a Center of Excellence for Dark and Quiet Skies, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Hickenlooper, John W. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

[S.4953](#)

A bill to establish the Wildlife Movement and Movement Area Grant Program and the State and Tribal Migration Research Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR [S5780-5781](#))

[S.4958](#)

A bill to require the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and the Secretary of Agriculture to withdraw a final determination relating to energy efficiency standards for housing, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Braun, Mike \[Sen.-R-IN\]](#) Cosponsors: ([8](#))

Committees: Senate - Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

[S.4959](#)

A bill to prohibit Federal agencies from implementing environmental justice standards when issuing rules, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lummis, Cynthia M. \[Sen.-R-WY\]](#) Cosponsors: ([5](#))

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

[S.4963](#)

A bill to support Federal, State, and Tribal coordination and management efforts relating to wildlife disease and zoonotic disease surveillance and ongoing and potential wildlife disease and zoonotic disease outbreaks, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Baldwin, Tammy \[Sen.-D-WI\]](#) Cosponsors: ([3](#))

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

[S.4966](#)

A bill to authorize public housing agencies to use assistance from the Capital Fund for energy performance contracts.

Sponsor: [Welch, Peter \[Sen.-D-VT\]](#) Cosponsors: ([2](#))

Committees: Senate - Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

[S.4974](#)

A bill to amend the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act to reauthorize the National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring System, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Murkowski, Lisa \[Sen.-R-AK\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.4975](#)

A bill to require the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere to carry out pilot projects relating to improved subseasonal to seasonal forecasting in agriculture and water management, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rosen, Jacky \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

[S.4982](#)

A bill to amend the Specialty Crops Competitiveness Act of 2004 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a pilot program to provide recovery payments to producers of seasonal and perishable crops that experience low prices caused by imports, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Ossoff, Jon \[Sen.-D-GA\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.4983](#)

A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to require the establishment of an Office of Public Engagement in the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Markey, Edward J. \[Sen.-D-MA\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

[S.4985](#)

A bill to reform the process for listing a species as threatened or endangered under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lankford, James \[Sen.-R-OK\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)
Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works
Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

[S.4986](#)

A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve permitting of energy transport facilities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lankford, James \[Sen.-R-OK\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)
Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works
Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

[S.4989](#)

A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to permit the use of certain electric vehicle charging stations at rest areas, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Merkley, Jeff \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)
Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works
Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Bills Reported:

[S.275](#)

Rural Broadband Protection Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Capito, Shelley Moore \[Sen.-R-WV\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 473.

[S.2086](#)

Sea Turtle Rescue Assistance Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Markey, Edward J. \[Sen.-D-MA\]](#) Cosponsors: (6)
Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 476.

[S.3277](#)

A bill to amend the Marine Debris Act to reauthorize the Marine Debris Program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Sponsor: [Sullivan, Dan \[Sen.-R-AK\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)
Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 479.

[S.3788](#)

National Landslide Preparedness Act Reauthorization Act of 2024

Sponsor: [Murkowski, Lisa \[Sen.-R-AK\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 481.

[S.4927](#)

A bill making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Murray, Patty \[Sen.-D-WA\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)
Committees: Senate - Appropriations
Committee Report: [S. Rept. 118-205](#)
Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 469.

Passed Senate:

[S.4367](#)

Thomas R. Carper Water Resources Development Act of 2024

Sponsor: [Carper, Thomas R. \[Sen.-D-DE\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)
Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works
Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2024 Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.

July 31, 2024

House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.4871](#)

A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit for hazard mitigation projects in connection with certain working waterfront property.

Sponsor: [King, Angus S., Jr. \[Sen.-I-ME\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Finance

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

[S.4895](#)

A bill to establish a program to disseminate technical and other assistance to small and rural electric cooperatives to support expanding electric transmission capacity and hardening electric transmission and distribution infrastructure against cyberattacks and threats from natural hazards, with a focus on threats from wildfire, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Wyden, Ron \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.4897](#)

A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the exclusion for certain conservation subsidies to include subsidies for water conservation or efficiency measures, storm water management measures, and waste-water management measures.

Sponsor: [Butler, Laphonza R. \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Finance

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

[S.4898](#)

A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to include extreme heat in the definition of a major disaster.

Sponsor: [Rosen, Jacky \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

S.4900

A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to incentivize certain preparedness measures, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Butler, Laphonza R. \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

S.4901

A bill to require the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere to maintain the National Mesonet Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Schatz, Brian \[Sen.-D-HI\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.4907

A bill to improve weather research and forecasting by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Markey, Edward J. \[Sen.-D-MA\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Passed Senate:

S.2781

Good Samaritan Remediation of Abandoned Hardrock Mines Act of 2024

Sponsor: [Heinrich, Martin \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#) Cosponsors: (40)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2024 Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.

Committee Meetings:

FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a [hearing](#) to examine long-term economic benefits and impacts from Federal infrastructure and public transportation investment, including S.4316, to authorize urbanized area formula grants for service improvement and safety and security enhancement, after receiving

testimony from Christopher A. Coes, Acting Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy; Michael Knisley, Ohio State Building and Construction Trades Council, Columbus; and R. Richard Geddes, Cornell University Program in Infrastructure Policy, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the American Enterprise Institute.

THE FUTURE OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a [hearing](#) to examine the future of electric vehicles, after receiving testimony from Jesse D. Jenkins, Princeton University Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering and the Andlinger Center for Energy and Environment, Princeton, New Jersey; and Britta Gross, EPRI, Maureen Hinman, Silverado Policy Accelerator, David Schwietert, Alliance for Automotive Innovation, and Jeff Davis, Eno Center for Transportation, all of Washington, D.C.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE CHEMICAL 6PPD

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Chemical Safety, Waste Management, Environmental Justice, and Regulatory Oversight concluded a [hearing](#) to examine the potential environmental impacts of the chemical 6PPD, after receiving testimony from Katrina Lassiter, Washington State Department of Ecology Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program, Olympia; and Tracey Norberg, U.S. Tire Manufacturers Association, and David B. Fischer, Keller and Heckman, LLP, both of Washington, D.C.

Other Committee Actions:

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

- [S. 4753](#), to reform leasing, permitting, and judicial review for certain energy and minerals projects, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and
- The nomination of Shannon A. Estenoz, of Florida, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

July 30, 2024

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.9198](#)

To require the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to utilize a risk-informed, performance-based licensing approach to the maximum extent practicable for the purpose of expediting the nuclear licensing process, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Donalds, Byron \[Rep.-R-FL-19\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.9199](#)

To amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 and the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act to limit the type of applications reviewed by the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards and to exclude reviews by the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's annual assessment and collection of fees and charges.

Sponsor: [Donalds, Byron \[Rep.-R-FL-19\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.9200](#)

To require an evaluation of the nuclear supply chain of the United States to further reduce regulatory barriers and associated costs for nuclear supply chain manufacturers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Donalds, Byron \[Rep.-R-FL-19\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.9201](#)

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make the re-equipping, expansion, or establishment of certain facilities relating to the production or reprocessing of critical minerals, including uranium and spent nuclear fuel, to include uranium as an applicable critical mineral for purposes of the advanced manufacturing production credit, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Donalds, Byron \[Rep.-R-FL-19\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

[H.R.9202](#)

To direct the Secretary of Energy to promote and facilitate the commercialization of domestic spent nuclear fuel reprocessing.

Sponsor: [Donalds, Byron \[Rep.-R-FL-19\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

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

Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.9203](#)

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish special rules for capital gains invested in brownfield and superfund sites.

Sponsor: [Edwards, Chuck \[Rep.-R-NC-11\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

[H.R.9212](#)

To establish the Interagency Group on Large-Scale Carbon Management in the National Science and Technology Council and a Federal Carbon Removal Initiative, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Kuster, Ann M. \[Rep.-D-NH-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

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

Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.9219](#)

To establish the Federal Commission on Weather Risk Data and Modeling, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Miller, Max L. \[Rep.-R-OH-7\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.9226](#)

To direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Commerce to incentivize domestic seafood processing capacity, to strengthen local seafood supply chains, to prohibit any Federal agency from funding or regulating commercial finfish aquaculture operations in the Exclusive Economic Zone in the absence of specific congressional authority, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Peltola, Mary Sattler \[Rep.-D-AK-At Large\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)
Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources; Transportation and Infrastructure
Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.9230](#)

To amend the Clean Air Act to establish a program to annually phasedown greenhouse gas emissions, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Tonko, Paul \[Rep.-D-NY-20\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)
Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means; Education and the Workforce; Science, Space, and Technology
Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Education and the Workforce, and Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.Res.1395](#)

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that it is unacceptable that the People's Republic of China and the Russian Federation are outpacing the United States in expanding nuclear energy production and global nuclear market share.

Sponsor: [Donalds, Byron \[Rep.-R-FL-19\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)
Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Foreign Affairs
Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

Bills Reported:

[H.J.Res.126](#)

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation relating to "Principles for Climate-Related Financial Risk Management for Large Financial Institutions".

Sponsor: [Houchin, Erin \[Rep.-R-IN-9\]](#) Cosponsors: (6)
Committees: House - Financial Services
Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 517.

[H.J.Res.127](#)

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to "The Enhancement and Standardization of Climate-Related Disclosures for Investors".

Sponsor: [Huizenga, Bill \[Rep.-R-MI-4\]](#) Cosponsors: (40)

Committees: House - Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 07/30/2024 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 513.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.4836](#)

A bill to require the creation of a simplified Department of Agriculture grant form for use by rural communities.

Sponsor: [Lummis, Cynthia M. \[Sen.-R-WY\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/30/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.4848](#)

A bill to promote conservation, improve public land management, and provide for sensible development in Pershing County, Nevada, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rosen, Jacky \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/30/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.4850](#)

A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to Mesa County, Colorado, certain Federal land in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Hickenlooper, John W. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/30/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.4852](#)

A bill to prohibit oil and gas leasing on the Outer Continental Shelf off the coast of New England.

Sponsor: [Whitehouse, Sheldon \[Sen.-D-RI\]](#) Cosponsors: (9)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/30/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.4864](#)

A bill to provide for the location of multiple hardrock mining mill sites, to establish the Abandoned Hardrock Mine Fund, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Cortez Masto, Catherine \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/30/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.4865](#)

A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to expedite geothermal exploration and development in previously studied or developed areas.

Sponsor: [Cortez Masto, Catherine \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/30/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.J.Res.104](#)

A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration relating to "Corporate Average Fuel Economy Standards for Passenger Cars and Light Trucks for Model Years 2027 and Beyond and Fuel Efficiency Standards for Heavy-Duty Pickup Trucks and Vans for Model Years 2030 and Beyond".

Sponsor: [Cruz, Ted \[Sen.-R-TX\]](#) Cosponsors: (28)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/30/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

July 29, 2024

House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

No environmental or energy activity in the Senate today.