

Environment & Energy Congressional Round-Up | September 26 - September 30

Highlights:

Last week, the [FIRE Act](#) (S. 3092) passed the Senate unanimously. The bill would update the federal government's wildfire policy, including measures on wildfire alerts, relocating structures at risk of fires, and wildfire reporting to Congress. EESI's *Living with Climate Change: Wildfires* [briefing](#) details federal policies and practices to address wildfires.

Meanwhile, the [Community Disaster Resilience Zones Act of 2022](#) (S. 3875) passed the Senate. The bill would require the President to maintain a natural disaster risk assessment program of products that inform users on factors like an area's natural hazard risk, loss exposure, social vulnerability, and more.

The House Agriculture Committee held a hearing in preparation for the 2023 Farm Bill, [A 2022 Review of the Farm Bill: Title XII – Department Operations and Outreach](#). To read more about climate and energy highlights from the farm bill hearings, check out EESI's farm bill [tracker](#).

Finally, the House Select Committee on the Climate Crisis held a hearing, [A Big Climate Deal: Lowering Costs, Creating Jobs, and Reducing Pollution with the Inflation Reduction Act](#).

September 30, 2022

Senate

There was no environment or energy-related action in the Senate.

House

Committee Action

H.R.9088

To prohibit the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture from prohibiting the use of lead ammunition or tackle on certain Federal land or water under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/30/2022 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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.9098

To provide for civil nuclear coordination and strategy, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Clyburn, James E. \[D-SC-6\]](#)

Committees: House - Foreign Affairs; Energy and Commerce; Science, Space, and Technology; Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 09/30/2022 Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Science, Space, and Technology, and 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.9102

To reinstate certain laws relating to minimum tonnage of agricultural commodities and products, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Garamendi, John \[D-CA-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Armed Services; Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 09/30/2022 Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.9112

To amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to establish a United States Ambassador at Large for Arctic Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Peltola, Mary Sattler \[D-AK-At Large\]](#)

Committees: House - Foreign Affairs

Latest Action: House - 09/30/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

H.R.9119

To provide for a program within the Forest Service to remediate the environmental damages caused by trespass cannabis cultivation, amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act to include criminal penalties for illegal pesticide application on Government property, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Peters, Scott H. \[D-CA-52\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources; Budget

Latest Action: House - 09/30/2022 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, and the Budget, 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.9121

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a tax credit for abatement and sequestration of carbon dioxide equivalent through agricultural methods.

Sponsor: [Rep. Ryan, Tim \[D-OH-13\]](#)

Committees: House - Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 09/30/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H.Res.1260

Of inquiry requesting the President, and directing the Secretary of Energy, to transmit to the House of Representatives certain information relating to plans to draw down and sell petroleum products from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve and plans to refill the Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

Sponsor: [Rep. Armstrong, Kelly \[R-ND-At Large\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Committee Meetings: [09/21/22 10:15AM](#)

Latest Action: House - 09/30/2022 Placed on the House Calendar, Calendar No. 142.

H.Res.1326

Of inquiry requesting the President, and directing the Secretary of Energy, to transmit to the House of Representatives certain information relating to plans to protect baseload bulk power system generation and transmission to maintain bulk power system reliability.

Sponsor: [Rep. Pence, Greg \[R-IN-6\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Committee Meetings: [09/21/22 10:15AM](#)

Latest Action: House - 09/30/2022 Placed on the House Calendar, Calendar No. 141.

H.Res.1420

Expressing support for the designation of the week beginning on October 9, 2022, as "National Wildlife Refuge Week".

Sponsor: [Rep. Thompson, Mike \[D-CA-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 09/30/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

September 29, 2022

Senate

Passed Senate

S.3092

FIRE Act

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

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Committee Meetings: [02/02/22 11:00AM](#)

Committee Reports: [S. Rept. 117-144](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Message on Senate action sent to the House.

Agreed to in Senate

S.Res.817

A resolution expressing support for the designation of October 2 through October 8, 2022, as "National 4-H Week".

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

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.

Committee Action

S.3571

Good Samaritan Remediation of Abandoned Hardrock Mines Act of 2022

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

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Committee Meetings: [09/29/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Committee on Environment and Public Works Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water. Hearings held.

S.4729

Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Fire Forest Restoration Program Relief Act

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [09/29/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held.

S.4833

Save Our Sequoias Act

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [09/29/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held.

S.4835

Small-diameter Timber and Underutilized Material Act of 2022

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [09/29/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held.

S.4837

A bill to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to establish within the Mount Hood National Forest in the State of Oregon Indian Treaty Resources Emphasis Zones, and for other purpose

Sponsor: [Sen. Wyden, Ron \[D-OR\]](#) (Introduced 09/13/2022)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [09/29/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held.

S.4877

Civilian Conservation Center Enhancement Act of 2022

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [09/29/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held.

S.4891

A bill to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to authorize certain construction activities on public lands, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen. Sanders, Bernard \[I-VT\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [09/29/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Hearings held.

S.4904

Promoting Effective Forest Management Act of 2022

Sponsor: [Sen. Barrasso, John \[R-WY\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [09/29/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Hearings held

S.4935

A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to implement measures to better prepare for and more quickly respond to wildfires on certain public land and in certain National Forests.

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [09/29/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Hearings held.

S.4944

A bill to provide for the operation and establishment of, and procurement of supplies for, firewood banks, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen. Burr, Richard \[R-NC\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [09/29/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Hearings held.

S.4945

A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a pilot program for the establishment and use of a pre-fire suppression stand density index, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [09/29/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held.

S.5003

A bill to amend the Klamath Basin Water Supply Enhancement Act of 2000 to provide the Secretary of the Interior with certain authorities with respect to projects affecting the Klamath Basin watershed, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.5007

A bill to amend the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 to remove barriers to agricultural producers in accessing funds to carry out emergency measures under the emergency conservation program, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.5009

A bill to require certain information and financial assistance under the States energy program and the Weatherization Assistance Program to be distributed without undue delay to support State and local high-impact energy efficiency and renewable energy initiatives, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.5019

A bill to establish an international terrestrial carbon sequestration program and provide international technical assistance for carbon market development, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen. Menendez, Robert \[D-NJ\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Foreign Relations

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

S.5023

A bill to improve disaster assistance programs of the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen. Thune, John \[R-SD\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.5031

A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the site known as "Dearfield" in the State of Colorado.

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 09/29/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Committee Meetings

FIRE AND FOREST MANAGEMENT LEGISLATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine [S. 4729](#), to amend the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 to waive the cost share requirement under the emergency forest restoration program for land damaged by the Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Fire, [S. 4833](#), to improve the health and resiliency of giant sequoias, [S. 4835](#), to provide for the removal of small-diameter trees in fire hazard areas, [S. 4837](#), to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to establish within the Mount Hood National Forest in the State of Oregon Indian Treaty Resources Emphasis Zones, [S. 4877](#), to amend Public Law 91–378 to authorize activities relating to Civilian Conservation Centers, [S. 4884](#), to require the Secretary of the Interior, in coordination with the Secretary of Agriculture, to establish a joint natural infrastructure science program, [S. 4891](#), to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to authorize certain construction activities on public lands, [S. 4904](#), to address the forest health crisis on the National Forest System and public lands, [S. 4935](#), to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to implement measures to better prepare for and more quickly respond to wildfires on certain public land and in certain National Forests, [S. 4942](#), to amend the Southwest Forest Health and Wildfire Prevention Act of 2004 to require the establishment of an additional Institute under that Act, [S. 4944](#), to provide for the operation and establishment of, and procurement of supplies for, firewood banks, and [S. 4945](#), to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a pilot program for the establishment

and use of a pre-fire suppression stand density index, after receiving testimony from John Crockett, Associate Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Jeffery Rupert, Director, Office of Wildland Fire, Department of the Interior; James W. Hourdequin, The Lyme Timber Company, Hanover, New Hampshire; and Patrick O'Toole, Family Farm Alliance, Savery, Wyoming.

GOOD SAMARITAN REMEDIATION OF ABANDONED HARDROCK MINES ACT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Chemical Safety, Waste Management, Environmental Justice, and Regulatory Oversight, with the Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water, concluded a joint hearing to examine [S. 3571](#), to promote remediation of abandoned hardrock mines, after receiving testimony from Senators Risch and Heinrich; Misael Cabrera, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Phoenix; Chris Wood, Trout Unlimited, Arlington, Virginia; Lauren Pagel, Earthworks, Washington, D.C.; and James D. Ogsbury, Western Governors' Association, Denver, Colorado.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

5 GSA resolutions; and

The nominations of L. Michelle Moore, of Georgia, Robert P. Klein, of Tennessee, William J. Renick, of Mississippi, Adam Wade White, of Kentucky, and Joe H. Ritch, of Alabama, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority.

House

Committee Action

[H.R.4690](#)

Sustaining America's Fisheries for the Future Act of 2021

Sponsor: [Rep. Huffman, Jared \[D-CA-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Committee Meetings: [09/29/22 10:00AM](#) [09/21/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: House - 09/29/2022 Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 21 - 18.

[H.R.8802](#)

Public Lands and Waters Climate Leadership Act of 2022

Sponsor: [Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. \[D-AZ-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/29/2022 Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry.

H.R.9026

To direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a grant program to facilitate the development of climate adaptation plans by certain entities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Escobar, Veronica \[D-TX-16\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 09/29/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R.9027

To direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a pilot program on ocean restoration research and development, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. McKinley, David B. \[R-WV-1\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 09/29/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R.9045

To amend the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act to assist small businesses that seek to engage in the research, development, and deployment of advanced nuclear reactors by delaying onerous licensing fees, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 09/29/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R.9046

To establish a program to issue rebates for energy efficiency improvements at industrial facilities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Doyle, Michael F. \[D-PA-18\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 09/29/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R.9047

To amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to establish a precision agriculture loan program, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/29/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

H.R.9049

To modify the disposition of certain outer Continental Shelf revenues and to open Federal financial sharing to heighten opportunities for renewable energy, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Fletcher, Lizzie \[D-TX-7\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 09/29/2022 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, 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.9084

To provide long-term water supply and regulatory reliability to drought-stricken California, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Valadao, David G. \[R-CA-21\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 09/29/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.9087

To restart onshore and offshore oil and gas leasing, streamline permitting for energy infrastructure, ensure transparency in energy development on Federal lands, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Westerman, Bruce \[R-AR-4\]](#)

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

Latest Action: House - 09/29/2022 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, Transportation and Infrastructure, Energy and Commerce, and Armed Services, 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.Res.1272

Of inquiry requesting the President to provide certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to plans to declare a "climate emergency" in order to invoke emergency authorities to impose regulations on industrial activity, or the supply and delivery of energy or electric power, in the United States.

Sponsor: [Rep. Johnson, Bill \[R-OH-6\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Committee Meetings: [09/21/22 10:15AM](#)

Latest Action: House - 09/29/2022 Placed on the House Calendar, Calendar No. 132.

H.Res.1411

Expressing support for the designation of October 2 through October 8, 2022, as "National 4-H Week".

Sponsor: [Rep. Thompson, Glenn \[R-PA-15\]](#)

Committees: House - Education and Labor

Latest Action: House - 09/29/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

Committee Meetings

A 2022 REVIEW OF THE FARM BILL: TITLE XII--DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS AND OUTREACH

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Nutrition, Oversight, and Department Operations held a hearing entitled "A 2022 Review of the Farm Bill: Title XII--Department Operations and Outreach". Testimony was heard from Chavonda Jacobs-Young, Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics and Chief Scientist, Department of Agriculture; and Zach Ducheneaux, Administrator, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee concluded a markup on [H. Res. 1247](#), of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the 2023–2028 five-year program for offshore oil and gas leasing; [H. Res. 1248](#), of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the compliance with the obligations of the Mineral Leasing Act; [H. Res. 1251](#), of inquiry directing the Secretary of Agriculture to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the mineral withdrawal within the Superior National Forest; [H. Res. 1252](#), of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House

of Representatives relating to the mineral withdrawal within the Superior National Forest; and [H. Res. 1253](#), of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the actions of the Department of the Interior's Departmental Ethics Office; and [H.R. 4690](#), the "Sustaining America's Fisheries for the Future Act of 2021". [H. Res. 1247](#), [H. Res. 1248](#), [H. Res. 1251](#), [H. Res. 1252](#), [H. Res. 1253](#), and [H.R. 4690](#) were ordered reported, as amended.

A BIG CLIMATE DEAL: LOWERING COSTS, CREATING JOBS, AND REDUCING POLLUTION WITH THE INFLATION REDUCTION ACT

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "A Big Climate Deal: Lowering Costs, Creating Jobs, and Reducing Pollution with the Inflation Reduction Act". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

September 28, 2022

Senate

Passed Senate

[S.3875](#)

Community Disaster Resilience Zones Act of 2022

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

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Committee Meetings: [03/30/22 11:00AM](#)

Committee Reports: [S. Rept. 117-141](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/28/2022 Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.

Agreed to in Senate

[S.Res.765](#)

A resolution designating October 8, 2022, as "National Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Day".

Sponsor: [Sen. Blumenthal, Richard \[D-CT\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Judiciary

Latest Action: Senate - 09/28/2022 Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.

Committee Action

[H.R.5001](#)

Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins Recovery Act

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

Committees: House - Natural Resources | Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [07/21/22 10:00AM](#) [05/25/22 3:00PM](#) [11/17/21 10:00AM](#)

Committee Reports: [H. Rept. 117-263](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/28/2022 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 520.

Roll Call Votes: There has been [1 roll call vote](#)

[S.3531](#)

National Climate Adaptation and Resilience Strategy Act

Sponsor: [Sen. Coons, Christopher A. \[D-DE\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Committee Meetings: [09/28/22 11:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/28/2022 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.

[S.4328](#)

Fire Suppression Improvement Act

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

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Committee Meetings: [09/28/22 11:00AM](#) [09/28/22 11:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/28/2022 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment favorably.

[S.4882](#)

Fire Grants and Safety Act

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

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Committee Meetings: [09/28/22 11:00AM](#) [09/28/22 11:00AM](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/28/2022 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment favorably.

S.4971

A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish an innovative agricultural technology pilot program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen. Blackburn, Marsha \[R-TN\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 09/28/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.4983

A bill to require the Secretary of Energy to establish a program to encourage deployment of electric school buses and vehicle-to-grid technologies and applications, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 09/28/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.4995

A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to prioritize the completion of the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 09/28/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

House

Passed House

H.R.6364

To amend the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Improvement Act to extend the exception to the closure of certain roads within the Recreation Area for local businesses, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Cartwright, Matt \[D-PA-8\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [07/13/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Committee Action

[H.R.1638](#)

Gilt Edge Mine Conveyance Act

Sponsor: [Rep. Johnson, Dusty \[R-SD-At Large\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [04/06/22 10:00AM](#) [03/16/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.

[H.R.8446](#)

Global Food Security Reauthorization Act of 2022

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

Committees: House - Foreign Affairs

Committee Meetings: [09/14/22 1:00PM](#)

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.

[H.R.8991](#)

To direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to conduct a measurement-based national methane research pilot study to quantify methane emissions from certain oil and gas infrastructure, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice \[D-TX-30\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.8992](#)

To require a Federal methane super-emitter detection strategy, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Beyer, Donald S., Jr. \[D-VA-8\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.8993](#)

To provide for methane emission detection and mitigation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Casten, Sean \[D-IL-6\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R.9000

To amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to establish a Hydrogen Technologies for Heavy Industry Grant Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Doyle, Michael F. \[D-PA-18\]](#)

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

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.9004

To allow the Secretary of the Interior to authorize geological and geophysical surveys for offshore oil and gas exploration.

Sponsor: [Rep. Graves, Garret \[R-LA-6\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.9006

To establish deadlines for the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to complete certain environmental reviews, to establish notification rules for receipt of onshore right-of-way applications, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Herrell, Yvette \[R-NM-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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.9012

To amend the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 to limit the scope of environmental reviews required by such Act, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Miller-Meeks, Mariannette \[R-IA-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.9024

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to submit a report and maintain publicly available data on expressions of interests, applications for permits to drill, and offshore geological and geophysical survey licenses, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Tiffany, Thomas P. \[R-WI-7\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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.9025

To direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to use certain previously completed environmental assessments and environmental impact statements to satisfy the review requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep. Valadao, David G. \[R-CA-21\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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.Res.1251

Of inquiry directing the Secretary of Agriculture to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the mineral withdrawal within the Superior National Forest.

Sponsor: [Rep. Stauber, Pete \[R-MN-8\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [09/21/22 10:00AM](#) [09/15/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Placed on the House Calendar, Calendar No. 116.

H.Res.1252

Of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the mineral withdrawal within the Superior National Forest.

Sponsor: [Rep. Stauber, Pete \[R-MN-8\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [09/21/22 10:00AM](#) [09/15/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Placed on the House Calendar, Calendar No. 117.

H.Res.1398

Supporting the designation of the week beginning September 25, 2022, as "National Source Water Protection Week".

Sponsor: [Rep. Axne, Cynthia \[D-IA-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 09/28/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

September 27, 2022

Senate

Agreed to in Senate

S.Res.799

A resolution designating October 5, 2022, as "Energy Efficiency Day" in celebration of the economic and environmental benefits that have been driven by private sector innovation and Federal energy efficiency policies.

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

Latest Action: Senate - 09/27/2022 Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: [CR S5112](#); text: [CR S5057](#))

Committee Action

S.4954

A bill to amend the Farm Credit Act of 1971 to make foreign persons ineligible for Farm Credit System institution financing, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 09/27/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Committee Meetings

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Jose Emilio Esteban, of California, to be Under Secretary for Food Safety, and Alexis Taylor, of Iowa, to be Under Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs, both of the Department of Agriculture, and Vincent Garfield Logan, of New York, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration,.

House

There was no environment or energy-related action in the House.

September 26, 2022

Senate

There was no environment or energy-related action in the Senate.

House

Committee Action

H.R.8989

To lower consumer fuel prices, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Oversight and Reform

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2022 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, 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