

## Environment & Energy Congressional Round-Up | September 19 - September 23

### Highlights:

Last week, the Senate ratified the [Kigali Amendment to the Montreal Protocol](#). The Kigali Amendment initiates a “gradual phasedown” of hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) production and use. To read more, check out EESI’s [press release](#) on the amendment.

Meanwhile, the House passed the [Little Manatee Wild and Scenic River Act](#) (H.R.4358), which would designate a section of that Florida river to be potentially added to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

The House Committee on Agriculture held a hearing in preparation for the 2023 Farm Bill, “[Stakeholder Perspectives on Title II Conservation Programs](#).” To read more about climate and energy highlights from the farm bill hearings, check out EESI’s farm bill [tracker](#).

Draft text of Senator Joe Manchin’s (D-W.Va.) energy permitting bill, the [Energy Independence and Security Act of 2022](#), was released last week.

### **September 23, 2022**

#### **Senate**

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

#### **House**

#### **Committee Action**

#### **H.R.8966**

#### **To clarify regulatory certainty, and for other purposes**

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

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

Latest Action: House - 09/23/2022 Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

### **H.R.8965**

**To amend the River and Harbor Act of 1958 to improve provisions relating to invasive species management, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 09/23/2022 Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

## **September 22, 2022**

### **Senate**

#### **Agreed to in Senate**

### **S.Res.794**

**A resolution proclaiming the week of September 26 through September 30, 2022, to be "National Clean Energy Week".**

Sponsor: [Sen. Collins, Susan M. \[R-ME\]](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/22/2022 Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent

#### **Committee Action**

### **S.4927**

**A bill to direct the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to establish a grant program to fund youth fishing projects.**

Sponsor: [Sen. Wicker, Roger F. \[R-MS\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 09/22/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

### **S.4931**

**A bill to require reforms to programs of the Natural Resources Conservation Service, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Sen. Rounds, Mike \[R-SD\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 09/22/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

### **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

Latest Action: Senate - 09/22/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

#### **S.4940**

**A bill 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: [Sen. Daines, Steve \[R-MT\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 09/22/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

#### **S.4941**

**A bill to amend the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 to extend and expand the Market Access Program and the Foreign Market Development Cooperator Program.**

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

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 09/22/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

#### **S.4942**

**A bill to amend the Southwest Forest Health and Wildfire Prevention Act of 2004 to require the establishment of an additional Institute under that Act.**

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 09/22/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

#### **S.4943**

**A bill to establish a moratorium on energy development in certain areas of the Gulf of Mexico, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 09/22/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

#### **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

Latest Action: Senate - 09/22/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

#### **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

Latest Action: Senate - 09/22/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

### **Committee Meetings**

#### **NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine 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, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

#### **BATTERY STORAGE**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine opportunities and challenges in deploying innovative battery and non-battery technologies for energy storage, after receiving testimony from Timothy J. Hemstreet, PacifiCorp, Portland, Oregon; Spencer Nelson, ClearPath, Inc., Washington, D.C.; and Ted Wiley, Form Energy, Somerville, Massachusetts.

## House

### Committee Action

#### [H.R.8969](#)

**To develop a comprehensive, strategic plan for Federal electric vehicle fleet battery management, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. \[D-NY-12\]](#)

Committees: House - Oversight and Reform

Latest Action: House - 09/22/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform

#### [H.R.8966](#)

**To clarify regulatory certainty, and for other purposes.**

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

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

Latest Action: House - 09/22/2022 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Transportation and Infrastructure, and 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.8965](#)

**To amend the River and Harbor Act of 1958 to improve provisions relating to invasive species management, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 09/22/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

#### [H.R.8980](#)

**To establish a moratorium on energy development in certain areas of the Gulf of Mexico, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Rep. Waltz, Michael \[R-FL-6\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Armed Services

Latest Action: House - 09/22/2022 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on 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.R.8981](#)**

**To streamline hardrock mine permitting on Federal lands, support technological and scientific advancements for mineral development, expand the mining workforce, track global supply chains, strengthen domestic refining and processing capacity, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture; Foreign Affairs; Energy and Commerce; Appropriations; Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 09/22/2022 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, Foreign Affairs, Energy and Commerce, Appropriations, and 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.Res.1386](#)**

**Supporting the designation of the week of September 26 through September 30, 2022, as "National Clean Energy Week".**

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

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 09/22/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

## **September 21, 2022**

### **Senate**

#### **Passed Senate**

### **[S.J.Res.55](#)**

**A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Council on Environmental Quality relating to "National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Regulations Revisions".**

Sponsor: [Sen. Sullivan, Dan \[R-AK\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 09/21/2022 Star Print ordered on the joint resolution. (All Actions)

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

### **[Amendment to Montreal Protocol \("Kigali Amendment"\)](#)**

**Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (the "Montreal Protocol"), adopted at Kigali on October 15, 2016, by the Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (the "Kigali Amendment").**

Date Received from President: 11/16/2021

Originating Organization: United Nations

Latest Senate Action: 09/21/2022 Resolution of advice and consent to ratification agreed to as amended in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 69 - 27. [Record Vote Number: 343](#).

## **Committee Action**

### **S.4904**

**A bill to address the forest health crisis on the National Forest System and public lands, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 09/21/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

### **H.R.1908**

**Ka'ena Point National Heritage Area Act**

Sponsor: [Rep. Case, Ed \[D-HI-1\]](#)

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

Committee Meetings: [09/21/22 10:30AM](#) [07/14/21 11:00AM](#)

Committee Reports: [H. Rept. 117-267](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/21/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.

### **H.R.4358**

**Little Manatee Wild and Scenic River Act**

Sponsor: [Rep. Buchanan, Vern \[R-FL-16\]](#)

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

Committee Meetings: [01/19/22 10:00AM](#)

Committee Reports: [H. Rept. 117-472](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 09/21/2022 Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

### **S.1942**

**National Heritage Area Act**

Sponsor: [Sen. Stabenow, Debbie \[D-MI\]](#) (Introduced 05/27/2021)  
Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources  
Committee Meetings: [05/03/22 10:00AM](#) [10/06/21 10:00AM](#)  
Latest Action: Senate - 09/21/2022 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 499.

### **S.3266**

#### **Outdoor Recreation Act**

Sponsor: [Sen. Manchin, Joe, III \[D-WV\]](#)  
Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources  
Committee Meetings: [05/03/22 10:00AM](#) [12/02/21 10:00AM](#)  
Latest Action: Senate - 09/21/2022 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 501.

### **S.4122**

#### **Housatonic Wild and Scenic River Act of 2022**

Sponsor: [Sen. Murphy, Christopher \[D-CT\]](#)  
Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources  
Committee Meetings: [09/21/22 10:30AM](#)  
Latest Action: Senate - 09/21/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.

### **S.4168**

#### **National Park Foundation Reauthorization Act of 2022**

Sponsor: [Sen. Portman, Rob \[R-OH\]](#)  
Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources  
Committee Meetings: [09/21/22 10:30AM](#)  
Latest Action: Senate - 09/21/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.

### **S.4693**

#### **National Discovery Trails Act**

Sponsor: [Sen. Coons, Christopher A. \[D-DE\]](#)  
Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources  
Committee Meetings: [09/21/22 10:30AM](#)  
Latest Action: Senate - 09/21/2022 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.

#### **Committee Meetings**



## NATIONAL PARKS LEGISLATION

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks concluded a hearing to examine [S. 305](#), to establish the Springfield Race Riot National Monument in the State of Illinois, [S. 1211](#), to establish the Cahokia Mounds Mississippian Culture National Historic Park in Collinsville, Illinois, Monroe, Madison, and St. Clair Counties, Illinois, and St. Louis City County, Missouri, [S. 3447](#), to authorize the National Service Animals Monument Corporation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, [S. 3579](#), to authorize the Embassy of France in Washington, DC, to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs to honor the extraordinary contributions of Jean Monnet to restoring peace between European nations and establishing the European Union, [S. 3873](#), to designate the outdoor amphitheater at the Blue Ridge Music Center in Galax, Virginia, as the "Rock Boucher Amphitheater", [S. 4122](#), to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Housatonic River in the State of Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, [S. 4168](#), to amend title 54, United States Code, to reauthorize the National Park Foundation, [S. 4222](#), to establish the St. Croix National Heritage Area, [S. 4371](#), to establish the Cesar E. Chavez and the Farmworker Movement National Historical Park in the States of California and Arizona, [S. 4377](#) and [H.R. 4380](#), bills to designate the El Paso Community Healing Garden National Memorial, [S. 4464](#) and [H.R. 1908](#), bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of designating certain land as the Ka'ena Point National Heritage Area, [S. 4693](#), to amend the National Trails System Act to include national discovery trails and designate the American Discovery Trail, [S. 4784](#), to modify the boundary of the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument in the State of Maine, to improve public access to the National Monument, and [S.J. Res. 57](#), redesignating the Robert E. Lee Memorial in Arlington National Cemetery as the "Arlington House National Historic Site", after receiving testimony from Senator Padilla; Michael A. Caldwell, Associate Director, Park Planning, Facilities, and Lands, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Will Shafroth, National Park Foundation, Washington, D.C.; and Steve Richardson, Friends of Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument, Patten, Maine.

### House

#### Committee Action

[H.Res.1378](#)

**Of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Agriculture to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to Resolution Copper mine.**

Sponsor: [Rep. Gosar, Paul A. \[R-AZ-4\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 09/21/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

## **Committee Meetings**

## **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Full Committee held a markup on [H.R. 3655](#), the ``Vaccine Injury Compensation Modernization Act of 2021"; [H.R. 5141](#), the ``Maximizing Outcomes through Better Investments in Lifesaving Equipment for (MOBILE) Health Care Act"; [H.R. 8163](#), the ``Improving Trauma Systems and Emergency Care Act"; [H.R. 6737](#), the ``Flint Registry Reauthorization Act"; [H.R. 6965](#), the ``Visit America Act"; [H.R. 5441](#), the ``Prevent All Soring Tactics Act of 2021"; [H. Res. 1355](#), of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to ivermectin; [H. Res. 1244](#), of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to any COVID-19 vaccine; [H. Res. 1258](#), of inquiry directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide certain documentation to the House of Representatives relating to the calculation of certain expenditure limitations applicable to Federal funding of the Medicaid program in Puerto Rico; [H. Res. 1263](#), of inquiry directing the President to provide certain documents in the President's possession to the House of Representatives relating to COVID-19 funding; [H. Res. 1267](#), of inquiry directing the President to provide certain documents in the President's possession to the House of Representatives relating to the oversight of the Wuhan Institute of Virology laboratory by the Director of the National Institutes of Health; [H. Res. 1268](#), of inquiry directing the President to provide certain documents in the President's possession to the House of Representatives relating to actions taken by the Secretary of Health and Human Services related to the COVID-19 pandemic response; [H. Res. 1274](#), of inquiry directing the President to provide certain documents in the President's possession to the House of Representatives relating to communications by or among any of the Department of Health and Human Services, the Office of National Drug Control Policy, the White House, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Department of Justice related to the executive branch's recommendations for a long-term, consensus approach to reduce the supply and availability of illicitly manufactured

fentanyl-related substances in the United States; [H. Res. 1275](#), of inquiry directing the President to provide certain documents in the President's possession to the House of Representatives relating to communications by staff of the White House regarding the implications of revoking the public health orders commonly referred to as "title 42"; [H. Res. 1284](#), of inquiry directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide certain documentation to the House of Representatives relating to the negotiation of prices for prescription drugs under the Medicare prescription drug program; [H. Res. 1287](#), of inquiry directing the President to provide certain documents in the President's possession to the House of Representatives relating to the recall of infant formula manufactured by Abbott Laboratories and potential impacts on the infant formula supply chain; [H. Res. 1265](#), of inquiry requesting the President to provide certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to plans to exploit the energy crisis to pursue a radical climate agenda; [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; [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; [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; [H. Res. 1264](#), of inquiry requesting the President to transmit to the House of Representatives certain documents relating to misinformation and the preservation of free speech; [H. Res. 1271](#), of inquiry requesting the President transmit to the House of Representatives certain documents relating to activities of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration relating to broadband service; [H. Res. 1237](#), of inquiry requesting the President to provide certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to online censorship of political speech; and [H. Res. 1261](#), of inquiry requesting the President to provide certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to communications and directives with the Federal Trade Commission. [H.R. 8163](#), and [H.R. 6965](#) were ordered reported, as amended. [H.R. 3655](#), [H.R. 5141](#), [H.R. 6737](#), [H.R. 5441](#), [H. Res. 1355](#), [H. Res. 1244](#), [H. Res. 1258](#), [H. Res. 1263](#), [H. Res. 1267](#), [H. Res. 1268](#), [H. Res. 1274](#), [H. Res. 1275](#), [H. Res. 1284](#), [H. Res. 1287](#), [H. Res. 1265](#), [H. Res. 1272](#), [H. Res. 1260](#), [H. Res. 1326](#), [H. Res. 1264](#), [H. Res. 1271](#), [H. Res. 1237](#), and [H. Res. 1261](#) were ordered reported, without amendment.

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee continued 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".

## **LOOKING BACK TO PREDICT THE FUTURE: THE NEXT GENERATION OF WEATHER SATELLITES**

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics; and Subcommittee on Environment held a joint hearing entitled ``Looking Back to Predict the Future: The Next Generation of Weather Satellites". Testimony was heard from Stephen Volz, Assistant Administrator, National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; John Gagosian, Joint Agency Satellite Division Director, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and Fred Meny, Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation, Office of Inspector General, Department of Commerce.

**September 20, 2022**

**Senate**

**Agreed to in Senate**

**[S.Res.779](#)**

**A resolution designating the week of September 17 through September 24, 2022, as "National Estuaries Week".**

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

Latest Action: Senate - 09/20/2022 Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: [CR S4877](#); text: [CR S4860](#))

**Committee Action**

### **S.4898**

**A bill to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Pueblos of Acoma and Laguna in the Rio San Jose Stream System in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: Senate - Indian Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 09/20/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

### **S.4896**

**A bill to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Pueblos of Jemez and Zia in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: Senate - Indian Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 09/20/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

### **S.4895**

**A bill to amend the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a national biochar research network, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 09/20/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

### **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

Latest Action: Senate - 09/20/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

## **Amendments**

### **S.Amdt.5503**

to [Treaty Document 117-1](#)

Amends: [Amends Resolution of Ratification for Treaty Document 117-1](#) (Amendment to Montreal Protocol ("Kigali Amendment"))

Sponsor: [Sen. Schumer, Charles E. \[D-NY\]](#)

Latest Action: 09/20/2022 Amendment [SA 5503](#) proposed by Senator Schumer. To add an effective date.

## House

### Passed House

#### [H.R.4358](#)

##### **Little Manatee Wild and Scenic River Act**

Sponsor: [Rep. Buchanan, Vern \[R-FL-16\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [01/19/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: House - 09/20/2022 Pursuant to section 2 of [H. Res. 1361](#), and the motion offered by Mr. Hoyer, the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: [H.R. 1433](#), as amended; [H.R. 4009](#), as amended; [H.R. 4358](#), as amended; [H.R. 6265](#); [H.R. 6846](#), as amended; [H.R. 7240](#), as amended; [H.R. 7338](#), as amended; [H.R. 8453](#), as amended; [H.R. 8503](#), as amended; and [H.R. 8520](#), as amended; and the following resolution was agreed to under suspension of the rules: [H. Res. 558](#), as amended. (consideration: [CR H7984-7992](#); text: [CR H7985](#))

### Committee Action

#### [H.R.8928](#)

##### **To improve the permitting process for mining on Federal land, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/20/2022 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.1364](#)

##### **Recognizing access to water, sanitation, electricity, heating, cooling, broadband communications, and public transportation as basic human rights and public services that must be accessible, safe, acceptable, sufficient, affordable, climate resilient, and reliable for every person.**

Sponsor: [Rep. Bush, Cori \[D-MO-1\]](#)

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

Latest Action: House - 09/20/2022 Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

### **H.R.8920**

**To approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Pueblos of Acoma and Laguna in the Rio San José Stream System in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 09/20/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

### **H.R.8921**

**To approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Pueblos of Jemez and Zia in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 09/20/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

## **Committee Meetings**

### **A 2022 REVIEW OF THE FARM BILL: STAKEHOLDER PERSPECTIVES ON TITLE II CONSERVATION PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry held a hearing entitled "A 2022 Review of the Farm Bill: Stakeholder Perspectives on Title II Conservation Programs". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **PUBLIC LANDS AND WATERS CLIMATE LEADERSHIP ACT OF 2022**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on [H.R. 8802](#), the "Public Lands and Waters Climate Leadership Act of 2022". Testimony was heard from Rosemary Ahtuanguak, Mayor, Nuiqsut, Alaska; and public witnesses.

### **AMPLIFYING THE ARCTIC: STRENGTHENING SCIENCE TO RESPOND TO A RAPIDLY CHANGING ARCTIC**

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Amplifying the Arctic: Strengthening Science to Respond to a Rapidly Changing

Arctic". Testimony was heard from Larry Hinzman, Assistant Director of Polar Sciences, Office of Science and Technology Policy and Executive Director, Interagency Arctic Research and Policy Committee, National Science Foundation; Mike Sfraga, Chair, U.S. Arctic Research Commission; and public witnesses.

## **THE CLEAN WATER ACT AT FIFTY: HIGHLIGHTS AND LESSONS LEARNED FROM A HALF CENTURY OF TRANSFORMATIVE LEGISLATION**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing entitled "The Clean Water Act at Fifty: Highlights and Lessons Learned from a Half Century of Transformative Legislation". Testimony was heard from Joaquin Esquivel, Chair, State Water Resources Control Board, California; Laura Gatz, Analyst, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

**September 19, 2022**

### **Senate**

#### **Committee Action**

#### **S.4884**

**A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior, in coordination with the Secretary of Agriculture, to establish a joint natural infrastructure science program, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 09/19/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: [CR S4823-4824](#))

#### **S.4883**

**A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to partner and collaborate with the Secretary of Agriculture and the State of Hawaii to address Rapid Ohia Death, and for other purposes.**

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

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 09/19/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: [CR S4823](#))

#### **S.4882**



**A bill to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration and firefighter assistance grant programs.**

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

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 09/19/2022 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## House

### Committee Action

#### [H.Res.1364](#)

**Recognizing access to water, sanitation, electricity, heating, cooling, broadband communications, and public transportation as basic human rights and public services that must be accessible, safe, acceptable, sufficient, affordable, climate resilient, and reliable for every person.**

Sponsor: [Rep. Bush, Cori \[D-MO-1\]](#)

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

Latest Action: House - 09/19/2022 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and 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.Res.1366](#)

**Expressing support for the designation of October 8, 2022, as "National Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Day".**

Sponsor: [Rep. Costa, Jim \[D-CA-16\]](#)

Committees: House - Oversight and Reform

Latest Action: House - 09/19/2022 Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.

#### [H.R.4358](#)

**Little Manatee Wild and Scenic River Act**

Sponsor: [Rep. Buchanan, Vern \[R-FL-16\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Committee Meetings: [01/19/22 10:00AM](#)

Latest Action: House - 09/19/2022 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.