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S 2730

RARE Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Water Resources Development

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Graham, Bob [D-FL]

Party: Democratic • State: FL • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Jul 16, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 12, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Water Resources Development

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 5129	Identical bill	Jul 17, 2002: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

Summary (as of Nov 12, 2002)

Restore the Apalachicola River Ecosystem Act or the RARE Act - Modifies the project for navigation, Apalachicola, Chattahoochee, and Flint Rivers, Georgia, Florida, and Alabama, and the project for the West Point Reservoir, Chattahoochee River, Georgia, to: (1) deauthorize the channel between the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway near Apalachicola to Jim Woodruff Dam near Chattahoochee, Florida; and (2) authorize the Secretary of the Army to develop a comprehensive plan to restore the Apalachicola River basin.

Requires such plan to: (1) have as its goal the reestablishment of the ecological integrity of the Apalachicola River basin ecosystem; (2) reestablish an ecosystem that supports and sustains a balanced, integrated, adaptive community of organisms having species composition, diversity, and functional organization comparable to those of the natural habitat of the Apalachicola River; and (3) include a method of monitoring and assessing the biota, habitats, and water quality of the River basin for use in assessing restoration activities and impacts of such activities. Sets a limit on the total cost of developing such plan.

Requires the Secretary to: (1) engage in significant public outreach in carrying out this Act; and (2) ensure that activities conducted under this Act do not interfere with water compact activities and negotiations being carried out with respect to the Apalachicola, Chattahoochee, and Flint Rivers.

Actions Timeline

- Nov 12, 2002: Committee on Environment and Public Works. Reported by Senator Jeffords without amendment. With written report No. 107-338. Minority views filed.
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- Nov 12, 2002: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 751.
- Sep 26, 2002: Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- Jul 16, 2002: Introduced in Senate
- Jul 16, 2002: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6869)
- Jul 16, 2002: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.