

HR 4912

To increase the penalties to be imposed for a violation of fire regulations applicable to the public lands, National Park System lands, or National Forest System lands when the violation results in damage to public or private property, to specify the purpose for which collected fines may be used, and for other purposes.

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Chamber: House

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 24, 2002
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Oct 8, 2002
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Revises penalties for violations of the rules regulating the use of fire by visitors of public lands if such violation results in damage to public or private property. Changes the maximum \$1,000 fine to a minimum \$1,000 fine with respect to public lands under the Bureau of Land Management. Changes penalties with respect to National Park and National Forest Systems from a maximum \$500 fine and six months imprisonment to a minimum \$1,000 fine and a maximum 12 months imprisonment.

Makes money collected from fines imposed for violation of fire rules under this Act available for the purposes of: (1) covering costs to the United States of any improvement, protection, or rehabilitation rendered necessary by the action that resulted in the fine; (2) reimbursing the affected agency for the cost of the response to such action, including investigations, damage assessments, and legal actions; and (3) increasing public awareness of rules, regulations, and other requirements regarding the use of fire on public lands.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 21, 2002:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Resources. H. Rept. 107-763, Part I.
- **Oct 21, 2002:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Resources. H. Rept. 107-763, Part I.
- **Oct 21, 2002:** House Committee on Agriculture Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Oct. 21, 2002.
- **Oct 21, 2002:** Committee on Agriculture discharged.
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- **Oct 21, 2002:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 478.
- **Oct 8, 2002:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Oct 8, 2002:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Oct 8, 2002:** Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands Discharged.
- **Oct 8, 2002:** Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health Discharged.
- **Jun 24, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.
- **Jun 21, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands.
- **Jun 21, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health.
- **Jun 21, 2002:** Executive Comment Requested from USDA, Interior.
- **Jun 11, 2002:** Introduced in House
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