

HR 5279

Act to Save America's Forests

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 13, 2002
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 13, 2002
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 26, 2002)

Act to Save America's Forests - States that the purposes of this Act are to protect native biodiversity and ecosystems on Federal land from losses caused by: (1) clearcutting and other forms of even-age logging operations; and (2) logging in ancient forests, roadless areas, watershed protection areas, and special areas.

Amends the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 to revise eligibility criteria for members of the land and resource management scientific committee. Revises the committee termination date to ten years after enactment of this Act.

Provides for conservation and restoration of native biodiversity in forested areas.

Prohibits clearcutting or other even-age logging operations on any stand or watershed on certain Federal land, National Forest System land, and National Wildlife Refuge System land. Provides for: (1) Federal enforcement; and (1) a private right of action.

Describes special areas as Federal forest land parcels possessing outstanding biological, scenic, recreational, or cultural values which may not meet the definitions of ancient forests, roadless areas, or watershed protection areas.

Designates specified special areas which shall be subject to restrictions on road construction and logging in the following States: (1) Alabama; (2) Alaska; (3) Arizona; (4) Arkansas; (5) California; (6) Colorado; (7) Georgia; (8) Idaho; (9) Illinois; (10) Michigan; (11) Minnesota; (12) Missouri; (13) Montana; (14) New Mexico; (15) North Carolina; (16) Ohio; (17) Oklahoma; (18) Oregon; (19) South Carolina; (20) South Dakota; (21) Tennessee; (22) Texas; (23) Vermont; (24) Virginia; (25) Wisconsin; and (26) Wyoming.

Provides for the appointment of a committee of independent scientists to recommend additional special areas.

Restricts road construction and logging on Federal land in ancient forests, special areas, roadless areas, and watershed protection areas. Provides for: (1) Federal enforcement; and (1) a private right of action.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 13, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands.
- **Aug 13, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans.
- **Aug 13, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health.
- **Aug 13, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.
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