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HR 461

Backcountry Landing Strip Access Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands. (Feb 7, 2007)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 6, 2007
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 7, 2007
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 16, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Backcountry Landing Strip Access Act - Prohibits the Secretaries of the Interior or Agriculture from taking any action that would permanently close, restrict, or render or declare unserviceable any aircraft landing strip located on land under their jurisdiction unless: (1) the head of the aviation department of the state in which the landing strip is located approves the action; (2) the Secretary publishes notice of the proposed action and allows for a 90-day public comment thereafter; and (3) the Secretary and appropriate state aviation department head have taken into consideration any comments received.

Requires the Secretaries to: (1) adopt a nationwide policy for governing backcountry aviation issues relating to the management of federal land under their jurisdiction; and (2) require regional managers to adhere to such policy.

Actions Timeline

- Feb 7, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.
- Feb 6, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.
- Jan 16, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
- Jan 12, 2007: Introduced in House
- Jan 12, 2007: Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, 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.