

## HR 6489

National Integrated Drought Information System Reauthorization Act of 2012

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

**Introduced:** Sep 21, 2012

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. (Sep 21, 2012)

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### Committee Activity

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Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 21, 2012

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 3584	Related bill	<b>Sep 20, 2012:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## Summary (as of Sep 21, 2012)

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National Integrated Drought Information System Reauthorization Act of 2012 - Amends the National Integrated Drought Information System Act of 2006 to specify that the National Integrated Drought Information System (NIDIS) Program shall better inform and provide for more timely decisionmaking to reduce drought related impacts and costs.

Revises NIDIS functions to require the NIDIS to, among other things: (1) provide certain information, forecasts, and assessments described in the Act on both national and regional levels; and (2) continue ongoing research activities related to drought.

Requires the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere to provide a report to Congress concerning the NIDIS Program.

Authorizes appropriations to carry out the Act through FY2017.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 21, 2012:** Introduced in House
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