

HR 4716

Sage Grouse Protection and Conservation Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Animals

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Rep. Noem, Kristi L. [R-SD-At Large]	R · SD		Jun 10, 2014
Rep. Lamborn, Doug [R-CO-5]	R · CO		Jun 25, 2014
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Rep. McClinton, Tom [R-CA-4]	R · CA		Jul 16, 2014
Rep. Roe, David P. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Jul 16, 2014
Rep. Walden, Greg [R-OR-2]	R · OR		Jul 16, 2014
Rep. Labrador, Raul R. [R-ID-1]	R · ID		Jul 24, 2014
Rep. Coffman, Mike [R-CO-6]	R · CO		Sep 10, 2014

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	May 30, 2014
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 2394	Related bill	May 22, 2014: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Summary (as of May 22, 2014)

Sage Grouse Protection and Conservation Act - Directs the Secretary of Agriculture (USDA) or the Secretary of the Interior to give effect to a statewide conservation and management plan for the protection and recovery of the greater sage-grouse (*Centrocercus urophasianus*) and the Gunnison sage-grouse (*Centrocercus minimus*) from either California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, or Wyoming. Requires the appropriate Secretary to:

- hold for at least 10 years actions to list the species as endangered or threatened, the enforcement of the listing, and the designation of critical habitat for the species in that state;
- withdraw any land use planning activities related to federal management of the species on National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land within the state; and
- amend federal land use plans with respect to that state to comply with a state plan.

Applies these requirements to states that submit a plan or have a plan previously endorsed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Requires the appropriate Secretary to: (1) review statewide plans to determine if they are likely to conserve the species to the point at which the measures provided pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 are no longer necessary; (2) approve or endorse, or make comments on, statewide plans; and (3) provide states with information and make personnel available to help with plans.

Prohibits any proposed action pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) that occurs within one of those states from being denied or restricted solely on the basis of such sage-grouse if the action is consistent with a state plan that has been submitted to the appropriate Secretary.

Actions Timeline

- **May 30, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation.
- **May 30, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans, and Insular Affairs.
- **May 22, 2014:** Introduced in House
- **May 22, 2014:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.