

## S 2616

A bill to modify certain cost-sharing and revenue provisions relating to the Arkansas Valley Conduit, Colorado.

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Water Resources Development

**Introduced:** Mar 2, 2016

**Current Status:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 630.

**Latest Action:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 630. (Sep 15, 2016)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Gardner, Cory [R-CO]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** CO • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Mar 7, 2016

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	May 17, 2016

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Water Resources Development

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

(Sec. 1) This bill revises cost-sharing under the contract for construction of the Arkansas Valley Conduit, Colorado, to require that payment be made in an amount equal to 35% of the funds appropriated for (currently, 35% of the cost of) the Conduit that is comprised of revenue generated by payments pursuant to a repayment contract, and of revenue that may be derived from contracts for the use of Fryingpan-Arkansas project excess capacity or exchange contracts using project facilities.

The bill requires that any revenue that may be derived from contracts for the use of project excess capacity or exchange contracts using project facilities be credited towards payment of the actual cost of the Ruedi Dam and Reservoir, the Fountain Valley Pipeline, and the South Outlet Works at Pueblo Dam and Reservoir until those costs, plus interest, have been fully repaid (currently, until the date the payments for the Conduit begin).

All such revenue shall be available to the Department of the Interior:

- for the payment of costs associated with the construction of the Conduit;
- for the payment to the Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District of amounts needed for the District to repay the principal and interest on loans obtained from agencies of Colorado for construction of the Conduit; and
- to be credited towards repayment of the funds appropriated for (currently, towards payment of the actual costs of) the Conduit, plus interest.

Interior shall enter into one or more agreements with the District that specify the distribution of such revenue for such uses.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 15, 2016:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Murkowski without amendment. With written report No. 114-352.
- **Sep 15, 2016:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 630.
- **Jul 13, 2016:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **May 17, 2016:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Senate Subcommittee on Water and Power. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 114-495.
- **Mar 2, 2016:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 2, 2016:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.