

HR 2804

SAFE Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Environmental Protection

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Committee Activity

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| Natural Resources Committee | House | Referred to | Jul 1, 2015 |
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 114 S 1601 | Related bill | Jun 17, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. |

Summary (as of Jun 17, 2015)

Safeguarding America's Future and Environment Act or the SAFE Act

This bill requires the President to establish an interagency National Fish, Wildlife, and Plants Climate Adaptation Strategy Joint Implementation Working Group to adopt the National Fish, Wildlife, and Plants Climate Adaptation Strategy (released March 26, 2013) to protect, manage, and conserve fish, wildlife, and plants to maintain the inherent resilience and adaptability of fish, wildlife, and plants to withstand the ongoing and expected effects of extreme weather and climate change.

Each federal agency must integrate the elements of the strategy that relate to conservation, management, and protection of fish, wildlife, and plants into agency plans, environmental reviews, and programs.

The Department of the Interior must establish a National Climate Change and Wildlife Science Center to assess and develop scientific information, tools, strategies, and techniques to support the Working Groups and other interested parties in addressing the effects of extreme weather and climate change on fish, wildlife, and plants.

Interior must establish an Advisory Committee on Climate Change and Natural Resource Sciences to advise the working group on the state of the science regarding the effects of extreme weather and climate change on fish, wildlife, and plants and strategies and mechanisms for fish, wildlife, and plants adaptation.

To be eligible to receive funding under the bill, the states (including the District of Columbia, Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands) must submit to Interior and the Department of Commerce for review and approval a state fish, wildlife, and plant adaptation plan that details efforts to address the effects of climate change on fish, wildlife, and plants and coastal areas.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 1, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
- **Jul 1, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.
- **Jul 1, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs.
- **Jul 1, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans.
- **Jun 17, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 17, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

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