

HR 5316

Healthy Soils and Rangelands Solutions Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill directs the Department of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, to establish a Carbon Sequestration Pilot Program to make grants to owners or operators of qualified public lands, universities, nongovernmental organizations, or Indian tribes for projects for sequestering carbon through:

- grazing practices,
- restoring degraded qualified public lands,
- application of compost on qualified public lands, or
- using biochar (carbonized biomass) as an amendment on qualified public lands.

Interior shall establish a science advisory board to furnish analysis and recommendations regarding:

- the selection of such eligible entities and activities to receive grants based on the best available science, and
- appropriate monitoring requirements to quantify project performance and communicate results.

Interior shall make grants, through a challenge competition, to eligible entities for projects to carry out innovative approaches to eligible activities.

Interior:

- may furnish technical assistance for eligible activities, and
- shall expand outreach and education respecting carbon sequestration and best practices related to those activities.

Actions Timeline

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