

S 1811

Water Resources Development Act of 2020

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Water Resources Development

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jun 12, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Jul 10, 2019
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 15, 2019
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 12, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Water Resources Development

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 133	Related bill	Dec 27, 2020: Became Public Law No: 116-260.
116 S 3591	Related bill	Nov 9, 2020: An errata sheet on written report No. 116-288 was printed.
116 S 3758	Related bill	Oct 30, 2020: Became Public Law No: 116-191.
116 S 4870	Related bill	Oct 26, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
116 HR 4470	Related bill	Oct 19, 2020: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
116 HR 7657	Related bill	Aug 10, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.
116 S 4444	Related bill	Aug 5, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (text: CR S4942-4943)
116 HR 7575	Related bill	Jul 30, 2020: Received in the Senate.
116 HR 7116	Related bill	Jun 30, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.
116 HR 6761	Related bill	Jun 25, 2020: Subcommittee Hearings Held.
116 HR 6771	Related bill	May 11, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
116 S 3603	Related bill	May 5, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
116 HR 6469	Related bill	Apr 8, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
116 S 3335	Related bill	Feb 25, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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This bill addresses water resources infrastructure funding as well as Army Corps of Engineers projects for navigation, flood risk management, and ecosystem restoration.

The bill removes from annual discretionary spending limits funds appropriated from the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund (HMTF) for harbor operations and maintenance purposes, up to a specified amount. This allows additional funds from the HMTF to be appropriated for these purposes without these amounts counting against annual discretionary spending limits.

Similarly, the bill removes from annual discretionary spending limits in FY2021-FY2030 funds appropriated for harbor maintenance activities at certain donor ports or energy transfer ports, up to a specified amount.

Further, the bill expands the eligible uses of HMTF funds to include maintenance dredging at certain emerging harbors.

In addition, the bill modifies cost-sharing requirements for the construction of inland waterway navigation projects.

The bill also establishes various pilot programs to address issues including flood risk management and hurricane and storm damage risk reduction in rural or economically disadvantaged communities.

Additionally, the bill establishes programs for controlling certain invasive species.

The bill also creates a process to deauthorize certain projects that are no longer viable for construction and authorizes new projects for purposes including navigation, flood risk management, and ecosystem restoration.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 9, 2020:** Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendments to Senate bill.
- **Dec 8, 2020:** Mr. DeFazio moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Dec 8, 2020:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H6935-6984)
- **Dec 8, 2020:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 1811.
- **Dec 8, 2020:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.
- **Dec 8, 2020:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H6935-6977)
- **Dec 8, 2020:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 8, 2020:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 15, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.
- **Jul 12, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Jul 11, 2019:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jul 11, 2019:** Received in the House.
- **Jul 11, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Jul 10, 2019:** Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S4776)
- **Jul 10, 2019:** Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works discharged by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S4776)
- **Jul 10, 2019:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote.(text: CR S4776)
- **Jul 10, 2019:** Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote. (text: CR S4776)
- **Jun 12, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 12, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.