

HR 1957

Great American Outdoors Act

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Lewis, John [D-GA-5]

Party: Democratic • **State:** GA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (28 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Mar 28, 2019
Rep. Brady, Kevin [R-TX-8]	R · TX		Mar 28, 2019
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Mar 28, 2019
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Mar 28, 2019
Rep. Kelly, Mike [R-PA-16]	R · PA		Mar 28, 2019
Rep. LaHood, Darin [R-IL-18]	R · IL		Mar 28, 2019
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Mar 28, 2019
Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Mar 28, 2019
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Mar 28, 2019
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Mar 28, 2019
Rep. Walorski, Jackie [R-IN-2]	R · IN		Mar 28, 2019
Rep. Wenstrup, Brad R. [R-OH-2]	R · OH		Mar 28, 2019
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Apr 3, 2019
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		Apr 3, 2019
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Apr 4, 2019
Rep. Watkins, Steve [R-KS-2]	R · KS		Apr 4, 2019
Rep. Buchanan, Vern [R-FL-16]	R · FL		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Cisneros, Gilbert Ray, Jr. [D-CA-39]	D · CA		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Gomez, Jimmy [D-CA-34]	D · CA		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-26]	D · NY		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Holding, George [R-NC-2]	R · NC		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Horsford, Steven [D-NV-4]	D · NV		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Murphy, Stephanie N. [D-FL-7]	D · FL		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		Apr 8, 2019
Rep. Taylor, Van [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Apr 8, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Financial Services Committee	House	Discharged From	Apr 9, 2019
Ways and Means Committee	House	Reported By	Apr 9, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HRES 1053	Procedurally related	Jul 20, 2020: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
116 HR 7092	Related bill	Jun 4, 2020: Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, and the Budget, 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.
116 S 3684	Related bill	May 11, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.
116 S 3422	Related bill	Mar 10, 2020: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 438.
116 S 1081	Related bill	Feb 25, 2020: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 429.
116 HR 3195	Related bill	Nov 8, 2019: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 222.
116 HR 3151	Related bill	Jul 1, 2019: Became Public Law No: 116-25.
116 S 1876	Related bill	Jun 18, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
116 S 1099	Related bill	Apr 9, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
116 S 1100	Related bill	Apr 9, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
116 HR 2007	Related bill	Apr 1, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
116 S 928	Identical bill	Mar 28, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S2091)
116 HR 1902	Related bill	Mar 27, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
116 HR 1905	Related bill	Mar 27, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
116 HR 1875	Related bill	Mar 26, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
116 HR 1825	Related bill	Mar 18, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
116 HR 1219	Related bill	Feb 14, 2019: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, 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.
116 S 240	Related bill	Jan 28, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S699-700)

Great American Outdoors Act

This bill establishes the National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund to support deferred maintenance projects on federal lands.

For FY2021-FY2025, there shall be deposited into the fund an amount equal to 50% of energy development revenues credited, covered, or deposited as miscellaneous receipts from oil, gas, coal, or alternative or renewable energy development on federal lands and waters. Deposited amounts must not exceed \$1.9 billion for any fiscal year.

The fund must be used for priority deferred maintenance projects in specified systems that are administered by

- the National Park Service,
- the Forest Service,
- the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service,
- the Bureau of Land Management, and
- the Bureau of Indian Education.

The Government Accountability Office must report on the effect of the fund in reducing the backlog of priority deferred maintenance projects for the specified agencies.

Additionally, the bill makes funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) permanent. The President shall annually report to Congress specified details regarding the allocation of funds to the LWCF. Congress may provide for alternate allocations using specified procedures.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 4, 2020:** Signed by President.
- **Aug 4, 2020:** Became Public Law No: 116-152.
- **Jul 24, 2020:** Presented to President.
- **Jul 22, 2020:** Pursuant to H. Res. 1053, Mr. Grijalva moved to take H.R. 1957 from the Speaker's table, with the Senate amendments thereto and agree to the Senate amendments. (consideration: CR H3642-3657, H3667-3668)
- **Jul 22, 2020:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1053 and the order of the House of July 21, 2020, the House proceeded with 80 minutes of debate on the motion to agree to the Senate amendments to H.R. 1957.
- **Jul 22, 2020:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Jul 22, 2020:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Senate amendments to H.R. 1957, the Chair put the question on agreeing to the amendments and by voice vote, announced that the ayes had prevailed. Mr. Bishop (UT) demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on agreeing to the Senate amendments until a time to be announced.
- **Jul 22, 2020:** Resolving differences -- House actions: On motion that the House agree to the Senate amendments Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 310 - 107 (Roll no. 155). (text: CR H3642-3644)
- **Jul 22, 2020:** On motion that the House agree to the Senate amendments Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 310 - 107 (Roll no. 155). (text: CR H3642-3644)
- **Jul 22, 2020:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 21, 2020:** ORDER OF PROCEDURE - Mr. McGovern asked unanimous consent that, notwithstanding H. Res. 1053, during consideration of the motion to concur in the Senate amendments to H.R. 1957 pursuant to such resolution, debate on such motion to concur shall not exceed 80 minutes, with one hour equally controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources and 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader or their respective designees.
- **Jul 20, 2020:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 1053 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 6395, H.R. 7027, H.R. 7327 and H.R. 1957. Provides for the consideration of H.R. 6395, H.R. 7027, H.R. 7327, and the Senate Amendments to H.R. 1957. Rule also provides that H.Res. 967, as amended by H.Res. 1017, is further amended by inserting a new date.
- **Jul 20, 2020:** Rule H. Res. 1053 passed House.
- **Jun 18, 2020:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jun 17, 2020:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S3027, S3031-3038)
- **Jun 17, 2020:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Yea-Nay Vote. 73 - 25. Record Vote Number: 121.
- **Jun 17, 2020:** Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Yea-Nay Vote. 73 - 25. Record Vote Number: 121.
- **Jun 16, 2020:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S2982, S2994-2996, S3006-3010)
- **Jun 15, 2020:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S2960, S2963-2972)
- **Jun 15, 2020:** Cloture on the measure invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 75 - 23. Record Vote Number: 120. (CR S2972)
- **Jun 12, 2020:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S2949-2956)
- **Jun 12, 2020:** Motion by Senator McConnell to commit to Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources with instructions to report back forthwith with the following amendment (SA 1630) fell when cloture was invoked on SA 1617.
- **Jun 11, 2020:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S2903, S2911-2920, S2922-2928)
- **Jun 10, 2020:** Motion to proceed to measure considered in Senate. (CR S2841)
- **Jun 10, 2020:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 79 - 18. Record Vote Number: 116.
- **Jun 10, 2020:** Measure laid before Senate by motion. (consideration: CR S2852-2853)
- **Jun 10, 2020:** Cloture motion on the measure presented in Senate. (CR S2853)
- **Jun 10, 2020:** Motion by Senator McConnell to commit to Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources with instructions to report back forthwith with the following amendment (SA 1630) made in Senate. (CR S2853)
- **Jun 9, 2020:** Motion to proceed to measure considered in Senate. (CR S2774)
- **Jun 8, 2020:** Motion to proceed to measure considered in Senate. (CR S2748)
- **Jun 8, 2020:** Cloture on the motion to proceed to the measure invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 80 - 17. Record

Vote Number: 114. (CR S2759)

- **Jun 4, 2020:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate.
- **Jun 4, 2020:** Cloture motion on the motion to proceed to the measure presented in Senate. (CR S2743)
- **Apr 29, 2019:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 75.
- **Apr 11, 2019:** Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.
- **Apr 10, 2019:** Received in the Senate.
- **Apr 9, 2019:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Ways and Means. H. Rept. 116-39, Part I.
- **Apr 9, 2019:** Committee on Financial Services discharged.
- **Apr 9, 2019:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 19.
- **Apr 9, 2019:** Mr. Lewis moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Apr 9, 2019:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3151-3166)
- **Apr 9, 2019:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1957.
- **Apr 9, 2019:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H3151-3162)
- **Apr 9, 2019:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H3151-3162)
- **Apr 9, 2019:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 28, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 28, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, 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.