

HR 3458

Recreation Not Red Tape Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Jun 25, 2019
Rep. Curtis, John R. [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Jul 23, 2019
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Jul 23, 2019
Rep. Gianforte, Greg [R-MT-At Large]	R · MT		Sep 24, 2019
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Oct 18, 2019
Rep. Heck, Denny [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Nov 12, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 15, 2019
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 26, 2019
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 26, 2019
Natural Resources Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Sep 19, 2019
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 26, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1967	Identical bill	Oct 31, 2019: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 116-342.

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This bill revises and sets forth provisions related to recreation areas and special recreation permits issued by the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture (USDA) for individual or group use of federal recreational lands and waters.

The bill makes permanent certain authorizations, including regarding such permits and the fees charged for them.

Interior and USDA shall

- evaluate the special recreation permitting process and identify opportunities for eliminating duplicative processes, reducing costs, and decreasing processing times;
- establish categorical exclusions from environmental review requirements for special recreation permits if it would reduce processing times or costs without significantly affecting the human environment;
- authorize the issuance of temporary permits for new or additional recreational uses of federal lands and waters managed by the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management;
- allow online payment of certain federal passes and fees;
- develop initiatives to promote private-sector volunteer opportunities; and
- establish an interagency trail management plan.

Permittees issued a special recreation permit may voluntarily and temporarily return one or more of their service days.

The bill sets forth requirements for review by USDA of the renewal or adjustment of the allocations for the use of a special recreation permit.

Interior and USDA may enter into agreements with states to allow the purchase of federal and state recreation passes in the same transaction.

The bill establishes a National Recreation Area System.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 19, 2019:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jul 15, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry.
- **Jul 2, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.
- **Jun 26, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Jun 26, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Jun 26, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 25, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 25, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, Transportation and Infrastructure, Energy and Commerce, and Armed 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.