

HR 6546

Wildfire and Community Health Response Act of 2020

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands. (Apr 24, 2020)

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Sponsor

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

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Committee Activity

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| Agriculture Committee | House | Referred To | Apr 17, 2020 |
| Natural Resources Committee | House | Referred to | Apr 24, 2020 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Wildfire and Community Health Response Act of 2020

This bill requires the Department of Agriculture, for National Forest System lands, and the Department of the Interior, for public lands, by May 31, 2020, to jointly submit to Congress a report on their activities to

- mitigate wildfire risk during the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) pandemic, including activities to minimize the impact of wildfires on the respiratory health of communities;
- identify methods of fuels reduction used during the COVID-19 pandemic to minimize the threat of wildfire on such lands; and
- slow the spread of COVID-19 between firefighters and emergency response teams.

Such report shall also include the recommendations of the departments with respect to the federal support necessary to carry out these activities.

Not later than December 31, 2020, such departments shall jointly submit to Congress a report on (1) the activities and recommendations, and (2) the outcomes of forest and wildfire management in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the recommendations of the departments with respect to such outcomes.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 24, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.
- **Apr 17, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 17, 2020:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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.

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