

HR 8170

Wildland Firefighter Recognition Act

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

Introduced: Sep 4, 2020

Current Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.

Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform. (Sep 4, 2020)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/8170>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. LaMalfa, Doug [R-CA-1]

Party: Republican • State: CA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Sep 4, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 4, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1682	Identical bill	May 23, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Wildland Firefighter Recognition Act

This bill requires the Office of Personnel Management to develop a distinct wildland firefighter occupational series. The series must apply to the following positions

- forestry technician;
- range technician;
- other positions related to significant prevention, preparedness, control, suppression, or management activities for wildland firefighters; and
- other positions conducting activities necessary to meet any other emergency incident.

The Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture must use the series in the advertising and hiring of a wildland firefighter.

The bill requires an employee in a wildland firefighter occupational series to receive a pay differential based on the unusual physical hardship or hazardous nature of the position.

An individual employed as a wildland firefighter on the date on which the occupational series takes effect may (1) remain in the occupational series in which the individual is working, or (2) be included in the wildland firefighter occupational series.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 4, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 4, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.