

## HR 1821

### RURAL Act

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

**Introduced:** Mar 11, 2021

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research. (May 13, 2021)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/1821>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Gibbs, Bob [R-OH-7]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** OH • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

| Committee                                   | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|---------------------------------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Agriculture Committee                       | House   | Referred to | May 13, 2021 |
| Transportation and Infrastructure Committee | House   | Referred to | Mar 12, 2021 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Mar 11, 2021)

#### Reducing Unnecessary Regulations on Agricultural Lands Act or the RURAL Act

This bill modifies requirements governing the use of pesticides in or near navigable waters. Specifically, the bill prohibits the Environmental Protection Agency or states from requiring permits under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System for discharges of pesticides into navigable waters if the pesticides are (1) registered, (2) used for their intended purposes, and (3) used in compliance with their pesticide label requirements. The bill establishes exemptions from this prohibition.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 13, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research.
- **Mar 12, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Mar 11, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 11, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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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