

## HR 2348

Advancing Conservation and Education Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Public Lands and Natural Resources

**Introduced:** Apr 1, 2021

**Current Status:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 492.

**Latest Action:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 492. (Dec 30, 2022)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Stewart, Chris [R-UT-2]

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Apr 1, 2021

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	May 5, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Advancing Conservation and Education Act**

This bill allows the states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, or Wyoming to relinquish state land grant parcels wholly or primarily within eligible areas and select, in exchange, public land within the state.

Eligible areas are areas within the outer boundaries of units or components of the National Park, National Wilderness Preservation, National Wildlife Refuge, or National Landscape Conservation Systems, areas identified by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) as having wilderness characteristics, certain designated lands within the National Forest System or administered by the BLM, and sentinel landscapes designated by the Department of Agriculture, Department of Defense, or Department of the Interior.

Interior shall create a process for the relinquishment of such parcels.

States may select in exchange, and Interior may convey, lands that are mineral in character.

The overall value of the state land grant parcels and the public land to be conveyed shall be equal or made equal.

The bill sets forth requirements regarding hazardous materials on land to be conveyed, water rights, grazing permits, road rights-of-ways, and protection of Indian rights.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Dec 30, 2022:** Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 117-673.
- **Dec 30, 2022:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 492.
- **May 5, 2021:** Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands Discharged.
- **May 5, 2021:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 5, 2021:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 23, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.
- **Apr 1, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 1, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

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