

HR 2820

Growing Climate Solutions Act of 2021

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

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Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. (Apr 22, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]

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

Cosponsors (104 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Bustos, Cheri [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-8]	D · PA		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Cooper, Jim [D-TN-5]	D · TN		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-16]	D · CA		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Curtis, John R. [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Fortenberry, Jeff [R-NE-1]	R · NE		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Hollingsworth, Trey [R-IN-9]	R · IN		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Houlahan, Chrissy [D-PA-6]	D · PA		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Katko, John [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Kelly, Mike [R-PA-16]	R · PA		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Luria, Elaine G. [D-VA-2]	D · VA		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Mace, Nancy [R-SC-1]	R · SC		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Apr 22, 2021
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		May 12, 2021
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		May 12, 2021
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		May 12, 2021
Rep. Miller-Meeks, Mariannette [R-IA-2]	R · IA		May 12, 2021
Rep. Baird, James R. [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Jun 11, 2021
Rep. Hill, J. French [R-AR-2]	R · AR		Jun 11, 2021
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Jun 11, 2021
Rep. Schrier, Kim [D-WA-8]	D · WA		Jun 11, 2021
Rep. Timmons, William R. IV [R-SC-4]	R · SC		Jun 11, 2021
Rep. Herrera Beutler, Jaime [R-WA-3]	R · WA		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Jul 21, 2021
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Jul 21, 2021
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jul 21, 2021
Rep. Correa, J. Luis [D-CA-46]	D · CA		Jul 21, 2021
Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		Jul 21, 2021
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Jul 21, 2021
Rep. Hinson, Ashley [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Jul 21, 2021
Rep. Kirkpatrick, Ann [D-AZ-2]	D · AZ		Jul 21, 2021

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Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Jul 21, 2021
Rep. Strickland, Marilyn [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Jul 21, 2021
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Jul 21, 2021
Rep. Lamb, Conor [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Jul 27, 2021
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Jul 27, 2021
Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		Jul 27, 2021
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Jul 28, 2021
Rep. Rice, Tom [R-SC-7]	R · SC		Jul 29, 2021
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Jul 30, 2021
Rep. Gonzalez, Anthony [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Aug 6, 2021
Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		Aug 6, 2021
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Aug 20, 2021
Rep. Meijer, Peter [R-MI-3]	R · MI		Aug 24, 2021
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Aug 31, 2021
Rep. Salazar, Maria Elvira [R-FL-27]	R · FL		Aug 31, 2021
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Joyce, David P. [R-OH-14]	R · OH		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]	R · GA		Sep 23, 2021
Rep. Simpson, Michael K. [R-ID-2]	R · ID		Sep 23, 2021
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Nov 3, 2021
Rep. Lawson, Al, Jr. [D-FL-5]	D · FL		Nov 3, 2021
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Nov 3, 2021
Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Nov 15, 2021
Rep. Kim, Young [R-CA-39]	R · CA		Nov 30, 2021
Rep. Gimenez, Carlos A. [R-FL-26]	R · FL		Dec 7, 2021
Rep. Burchett, Tim [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Dec 14, 2021
Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-6]	D · GA		Dec 14, 2021
Rep. Steel, Michelle [R-CA-48]	R · CA		Dec 14, 2021
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Dec 16, 2021
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Jan 10, 2022
Rep. Casten, Sean [D-IL-6]	D · IL		Feb 1, 2022
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Feb 9, 2022
Rep. Malinowski, Tom [D-NJ-7]	D · NJ		Mar 7, 2022
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Mar 15, 2022
Rep. Delgado, Antonio [D-NY-19]	D · NY		Mar 16, 2022
Rep. Slotkin, Elissa [D-MI-8]	D · MI		Mar 24, 2022
Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Mar 29, 2022
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Apr 1, 2022
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Apr 14, 2022
Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Jun 13, 2022
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Jun 14, 2022
Rep. Himes, James A. [D-CT-4]	D · CT		Jul 7, 2022

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Rep. Kildee, Daniel T. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		Jul 7, 2022
Rep. Obernolte, Jay [R-CA-8]	R · CA		Jul 7, 2022
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Aug 9, 2022
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Aug 9, 2022
Rep. Trahan, Lori [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Aug 9, 2022
Rep. Wexton, Jennifer [D-VA-10]	D · VA		Aug 9, 2022
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Sep 30, 2022
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Sep 30, 2022
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Oct 7, 2022
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Oct 11, 2022
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Nov 3, 2022
Rep. Ryan, Patrick [D-NY-19]	D · NY		Dec 5, 2022
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Dec 5, 2022
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Dec 8, 2022
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		Dec 8, 2022
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Dec 13, 2022
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		Dec 15, 2022
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Dec 20, 2022
Rep. Stansbury, Melanie Ann [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Dec 20, 2022
Rep. Steil, Bryan [R-WI-1]	R · WI		Dec 20, 2022
Rep. Golden, Jared F. [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Dec 22, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 22, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1251	Related bill	Jun 24, 2021: Held at the desk.

Growing Climate Solutions Act of 2021

This bill authorizes the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to establish a voluntary Greenhouse Gas Technical Assistance Provider and Third-Party Verifier Certification Program to help reduce entry barriers into voluntary environmental credit markets for farmers, ranchers, and private forest landowners. A *voluntary environmental credit market* is a market through which agriculture and forestry credits may be bought or sold.

Entities eligible to participate in the program are (1) providers of technical assistance to farmers, ranchers, or private forest landowners in carrying out sustainable land use management practices that prevent, reduce, or mitigate greenhouse gas emissions, or sequester carbon; or (2) third-party verifiers that conduct the verification of the processes described in the protocols for voluntary environmental credit markets.

Among other requirements, USDA must publish (1) a list of protocols and qualifications for eligible entities; (2) information describing how entities may self-certify under the program; (3) information describing how entities may obtain the expertise to meet the protocols and qualifications; and (4) instructions and suggestions to assist farmers, ranchers, and private forest landowners in facilitating the development of agriculture or forestry credits and accessing voluntary environmental credit markets.

USDA must also establish an advisory council to make recommendations regarding the list of protocols and qualifications, best practices, and voluntary environmental credit markets.

The bill also rescinds certain funds provided in the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and makes the funds available for the certification program.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 22, 2021:** Introduced in House
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