

## S 3698

### Northern Border Regional Commission Reauthorization Act of 2022

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

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## Sponsor

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Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Feb 17, 2022
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 17, 2022
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Feb 17, 2022
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Feb 17, 2022
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Feb 17, 2022
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Feb 17, 2022
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 17, 2022

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 17, 2022

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 6986	Identical bill	Mar 9, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.

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This bill makes various changes to the authorities and programs of regional economic and infrastructure development commissions.

Specifically, the bill reauthorizes the Southwest Border Regional Commission, the Southeast Crescent Regional Commission, and the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) and establishes and expands NBRC grant programs. The NBRC must establish a state capacity building program to provide grants to commission states (Maine, New Hampshire, New York, and Vermont) to better support business retention and expansion in eligible counties and for other specified purposes. Each commission state shall provide to the NBRC an annual work plan that includes the proposed use of the grant.

Additionally, the NBRC may make grants for the planning, construction, equipment, and operation of demonstration health, nutrition, and child care projects. Such grants must give special emphasis to projects and activities to address substance use disorders, including opioid and methamphetamine use.

The bill authorizes these regional commissions (as part of economic and infrastructure development grants) to (1) design, build, implement, or upgrade transportation or basic public infrastructure or workforce capacity to support the adaptation to and mitigation of climate challenges; and (2) promote the production of housing to meet economic development and workforce needs.

### **Actions Timeline**

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