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Housatonic Wild and Scenic River Act of 2022

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Current Status: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.

Latest Action: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held. (Sep 21, 2022)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CT • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Sep 21, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 7551	Identical bill	Apr 21, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

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This bill designates specified segments of the Housatonic River in Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

The designation of the river segments must not impact or alter the existing terms of permitting, licensing, or operation of

- the Falls Village Hydroelectric Generating Station located in Falls Village, Connecticut, or
- the Bulls Bridge Hydroelectric Generating Station located in New Milford, Connecticut.

The designation of the river segments must also not preclude the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission from licensing, relicensing, or otherwise authorizing the operation or continued operation of those facilities.

The authority of the Department of the Interior to acquire lands for the river segments shall be

- limited to acquisition by donation or acquisition with the consent of the owner, and
- subject to the additional criteria set forth in the Housatonic River Management Plan.

No land or interest in land may be acquired for the river segments by condemnation.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 21, 2022:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.
- **May 2, 2022:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 2, 2022:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.