

HR 4705

Treating Tribes and Counties as Good Neighbors Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry. (Aug 13, 2021)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 13, 2021
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 9, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 2492	Identical bill	Jul 27, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

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This bill revises the Good Neighbor Authority program to modify the treatment of revenue from timber sale contracts under good neighbor agreements with the Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Department of the Interior. (The Good Neighbor Authority permits USDA and Interior to enter into cooperative agreements or contracts with states, counties, and Indian tribes to perform forest, rangeland, and watershed restoration services on federal land managed by the Forest Service or the Bureau of Land Management.)

Specifically, the bill (1) requires Indian tribes and counties to retain revenue generated from timber sales under a good neighbor agreement; and (2) allows states, counties, and Indian tribes to use such revenue for authorized restoration projects on nonfederal lands under a good neighbor agreement. (Under current law, only a state is permitted to retain the revenues, and the revenues must be used for restoration projects on federal land.)

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 13, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry.
- **Aug 9, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States.
- **Jul 27, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 27, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, 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.