

## S 4944

Firewood Banks Act of 2022

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

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

**Introduced:** Sep 22, 2022

**Current Status:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 117-477.

**Latest Action:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 117-477. (Sep 29, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/4944>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** NC • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		Sep 22, 2022
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Sep 22, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Sep 29, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Sep 22, 2022)

#### Firewood Banks Act of 2022

This bill directs the Department of Energy, in collaboration with the Department of the Interior and the Forest Service, to establish a pilot program to provide heat energy for residences of low-income and disabled individuals with wood-burning stoves. Under the program, trees on federal land shall be made available to firewood banks and federal land may be made available for firewood banks. The bill also directs the Forest Service, using certain funds made available by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, to provide financial assistance for operating firewood banks. Cooperatives, nonprofit organizations, and state, local, or tribal governments may apply for financial assistance.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 29, 2022:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 117-477.
- **Sep 22, 2022:** Introduced in Senate
- **Sep 22, 2022:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.