

## S 5124

### Chaco Cultural Heritage Area Protection Act of 2022

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

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

**Introduced:** Nov 17, 2022

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (Nov 17, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/5124>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM]

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Nov 17, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 17, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 9344	Identical bill	<b>Nov 17, 2022:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

### Summary (as of Nov 17, 2022)

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This bill creates a buffer zone around the Chaco Culture National Historic Park in New Mexico by prohibiting certain leases on federal land for the development of mineral resources or geothermal energy within the buffer zone.

Nonproducing oil and gas leases in the buffer zone are terminated.

### Actions Timeline

- **Nov 17, 2022:** Introduced in Senate
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