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National Wildland Fire Risk Reduction Program Act

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Rep. Torres, Norma J. [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Nov 15, 2021
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Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Nov 18, 2021
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Nov 18, 2021
Rep. Levin, Mike [D-CA-49]	D · CA		Nov 18, 2021
Rep. Casten, Sean [D-IL-6]	D · IL		Nov 30, 2021
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Nov 30, 2021
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Jan 12, 2022
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Feb 3, 2022
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2022
Rep. Leger Fernandez, Teresa [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Sep 13, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Markup By	Nov 16, 2021
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 29, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 5118	Related bill	Aug 2, 2022: Received in the Senate.
117 S 4274	Related bill	May 19, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

National Wildland Fire Risk Reduction Program Act

This bill directs the President to establish a National Wildland Fire Risk Reduction Program to achieve major measurable reductions in the losses of life and property from wildland fires.

This program shall coordinate federal efforts to

- improve the assessment of fire environments and the understanding and prediction of wildland fires, associated smoke, and their impacts;
- develop and encourage the adoption of science-based and cost-effective measures to prevent and mitigate wildland fire and associated smoke impacts; and
- improve the understanding and mitigation of the impacts of climate change and variability on wildland fire risk, frequency, and severity and inform the other goals described here.

Not later than 90 days after enactment of this bill, the Office of Science and Technology Policy shall establish an Interagency Coordinating Committee on Wildland Fire Risk Reduction to oversee the planning, management, and coordination of the program. The committee shall submit a strategic plan for the program to Congress.

The Government Accountability Office shall submit a report to Congress on the progress and performance of the program.

Further, the bill sets forth the responsibilities of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, National Science Foundation, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Environmental Protection Agency, and Department of Energy with respect to the program.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 16, 2021:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Nov 16, 2021:** Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Oct 29, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.
- **Oct 28, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 28, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.