

## HR 7199

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to reinstate pre-pandemic in-office work policies at the Department of the Interior in order to receive certain supplemental emergency relief funds, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Mar 24, 2022

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. (Mar 24, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/7199>

### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 24, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Mar 24, 2022)

This bill bars the use of any of the unobligated COVID-19 relief funds made available to the Department of the Interior until Interior reinstates the telework policies, practices, and levels of telework as in effect at Interior on December 31, 2019.

No later than 30 days after the enactment of this bill, Interior shall submit to Congress a plan for opening the offices of Interior for in-office work in a manner consistent with the policies, practices, and levels of telework as in effect on December 31, 2019.

## Actions Timeline

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