

## HR 7551

Housatonic Wild and Scenic River Act of 2022

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Apr 21, 2022

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. (Apr 21, 2022)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** CT • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Himes, James A. [D-CT-4]	D · CT		Aug 12, 2022
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Sep 30, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 21, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 4122	Identical bill	Sep 21, 2022: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.

## **Housatonic Wild and Scenic River Act of 2022**

This bill designates specified segments of the Housatonic River in Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

The designation of the river segments must not impact or alter the existing terms of permitting, licensing, or operation of

- the Falls Village Hydroelectric Generating Station located in Falls Village, Connecticut, or
- the Bulls Bridge Hydroelectric Generating Station located in New Milford, Connecticut.

The designation of the river segments must also not preclude the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission from licensing, relicensing, or otherwise authorizing the operation or continued operation of those facilities.

The authority of the Department of the Interior to acquire lands for the river segments shall be

- limited to acquisition by donation or acquisition with the consent of the owner, and
- subject to the additional criteria set forth in the Housatonic River Management Plan.

No land or interest in land may be acquired for the river segments by condemnation.

## **Actions Timeline**

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