

HR 7796

Lake Lanier and Upper Chattahoochee Safety Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Water Resources Development

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment. (May 18, 2022)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	May 18, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 7776	Related bill	Dec 23, 2022: Became Public Law No: 117-263.

Summary (as of May 17, 2022)

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This bill requires the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to review potential threats to human life and safety from the use of recreational areas at Buford Dam, Lake Sidney Lanier in northern Georgia. The bill also requires USACE to install technology necessary to alert the public of hazardous water conditions or to minimize or eliminate threats to human life and safety (e.g., sirens, strobe lights, and signage).

USACE operates and maintains Buford Dam which forms Lake Sidney Lanier. The Chattahoochee River flows just below the dam. Water releases from the dam effect water levels in Lake Sidney Lanier and river flow conditions below Buford Dam.

Actions Timeline

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