

## S 809

MONARCH Act of 2021

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

**Introduced:** Mar 17, 2021

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (Mar 17, 2021)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/809>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]

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

### Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 17, 2021
Sen. Padilla, Alex [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 17, 2021
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Mar 17, 2021
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 17, 2021
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Mar 17, 2021
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Apr 13, 2021
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Apr 13, 2021
Sen. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM]	D · NM		Sep 28, 2021
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Oct 6, 2021
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Jun 14, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 17, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Environmental Protection

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 1983	Identical bill	<b>Jul 29, 2021:</b> Subcommittee Hearings Held.

## **Monarch Action, Recovery, and Conservation of Habitat Act of 2021 or the MONARCH Act of 2021**

This bill provides support for the conservation of western monarch butterflies (the monarch butterfly population that overwinters along the coast of California and breeds across California, Arizona, Nevada, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Utah).

Specifically, the bill establishes the Western Monarch Butterfly Rescue Fund. The Department of the Interior must use amounts in the fund to provide grants for the conservation of such butterflies.

In addition, Interior must enter into an agreement with the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to facilitate the implementation of the Western Monarch Butterfly Conservation Plan, which was prepared by the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.

### **Actions Timeline**

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