

# HR 10042

## PASTURES Act

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Agriculture and Food

**Introduced:** Oct 25, 2024

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry. (Nov 4, 2024)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Hageman, Harriet M. [R-WY-At Large]

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

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 4, 2024
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 25, 2024

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## Protecting Agricultural Spaces Through Effective Ranching Strategies Act or the PASTURES Act

This bill prohibits the Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Department of the Interior from imposing penalties on livestock owners for grazing on certain public lands.

Under the bill, covered lands are National Forest System lands, lands administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, or public lands (1) on which grazing is allowed by a permit or lease on or after the date of the bill's enactment and is then subsequently prohibited, and (2) that border private property.

Specifically, the departments may not impose a penalty on an owner of livestock (including cattle, bison, horses, sheep, and goats) for grazing on covered lands that do not have a fence to prevent grazing.

The bill specifies that USDA or Interior, depending on the covered land, is responsible for any expense related to the construction or maintenance of a fence for the prevention of grazing by livestock.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Nov 4, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.
- **Oct 25, 2024:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 25, 2024:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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.