

HR 1473

Targeting and Offsetting Existing Illegal Contaminants Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (1 total)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 19, 2023
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill provides for a program within the Forest Service to detect, monitor, and remediate the environmental damage caused by trespass cultivation of cannabis on National Forest System lands and increases criminal penalties for illegal pesticide application on government property.

Specifically, the bill directs the Forest Service to carry out a program of environmental remediation on its land, to be known as the Trespass Cannabis Cultivation Site Remediation Program.

The Forest Service shall pay fees and charges imposed by state authorities for permits for the disposal of hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, improper pesticides, or other wastes on Forest Service lands to the same extent as nongovernmental entities.

The Forest Service may enter into agreements with certain entities to carry out the Forest Service's responsibilities under this program.

The bill establishes an account in the Treasury to collect amounts recovered from trespassers for response actions, as well as amounts from other sources. Funds in the account may only be used for environmental remediation.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 19, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.
- **Mar 23, 2023:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Mar 22, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.
- **Mar 8, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 8, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, and the Budget, 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.