

HR 1567

ACRES Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

Introduced: Mar 10, 2023

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (Sep 14, 2023)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Mar 22, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 5, 2023
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 14, 2023
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Apr 28, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 8790	Related bill	Nov 12, 2024: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
118 HR 8467	Related bill	May 24, 2024: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 33 - 21.

Accurately Counting Risk Elimination Solutions Act or the ACRES Act

This bill requires the Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Department of the Interior to submit accurate reports regarding hazardous fuels reduction activity.

Hazardous fuels reduction activity means any vegetation management activity to reduce the risk of wildfire but excludes the award of contracts to conduct hazardous fuels reduction activities.

Specifically, USDA and Interior must

- include in the materials submitted in support of the President's budget each fiscal year a report on the number of acres of federal land on which such activities were carried out during the preceding year, and
- implement standardized procedures for tracking data related to such activities.

The standardized procedures must include

- regular, standardized data reviews of the accuracy and timely input of data used to track hazardous fuels reduction activities;
- verification methods that validate whether such data accurately correlates to such activities;
- an analysis of the short- and long-term effectiveness of such activities on reducing the risk of wildfire; and
- for hazardous fuels reduction activities that occur partially within the wildland-urban interface, methods to distinguish which acres are located within and which located outside the wildland-urban interface.

The Government Accountability Office shall (1) conduct a study on this bill's implementation, and (2) submit a report to Congress with the results of the study.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 14, 2023:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Sep 13, 2023:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4276-4277)
- **Sep 13, 2023:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 406 - 4 (Roll no. 386). (text: 9/12/2023 CR H4249)
- **Sep 13, 2023:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 406 - 4 (Roll no. 386). (text: 9/12/2023 CR H4249)
- **Sep 13, 2023:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 12, 2023:** Mr. Westerman moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 12, 2023:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4249-4251)
- **Sep 12, 2023:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1567.
- **Sep 12, 2023:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Sep 8, 2023:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 118-186, Part I.
- **Sep 8, 2023:** Committee on Agriculture discharged.
- **Sep 8, 2023:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 149.
- **Apr 28, 2023:** Subcommittee on Federal Lands Discharged.
- **Apr 28, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 28, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 5, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.
- **Mar 23, 2023:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Mar 22, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.
- **Mar 10, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 10, 2023:** 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.