

## HR 1607

To clarify jurisdiction with respect to certain Bureau of Reclamation pumped storage development, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Water Resources Development

**Introduced:** Mar 14, 2023

**Current Status:** Became Public Law No: 118-162.

**Latest Action:** Became Public Law No: 118-162. (Dec 23, 2024)

**Law:** 118-162 (Enacted Dec 23, 2024)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/1607>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Schweikert, David [R-AZ-1]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Stanton, Greg [D-AZ-4]	D · AZ		Mar 14, 2023
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Apr 17, 2023
Rep. Lesko, Debbie [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		Apr 17, 2023
Rep. Ciscomani, Juan [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Aug 29, 2023

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Dec 17, 2024
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Jul 19, 2023

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Water Resources Development

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 739	Identical bill	Nov 21, 2024: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 579.

This act transfers National Forest System land near the Salt River in Arizona to the Bureau of Reclamation to expand the area used for generating hydropower for the Salt River Federal Reclamation Project. Any facilities on the covered land constructed by the Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District or the Salt River Valley Water Users' Association must conform to Reclamation's standards. Once the facilities are substantially completed, Reclamation must take ownership of them. The district and the association must take responsibility for the facilities' operation and maintenance.

The act also exempts the land transfer from review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. It also directs the Bureau of Reclamation to serve as the lead agency with respect to environmental compliance.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Dec 23, 2024:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 23, 2024:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 23, 2024:** Became Public Law No: 118-162.
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 17, 2024:** Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 17, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 17, 2024:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S7079-7085)
- **Nov 7, 2023:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Nov 6, 2023:** Mr. Westerman moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Nov 6, 2023:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5410-5411)
- **Nov 6, 2023:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1607.
- **Nov 6, 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.
- **Nov 6, 2023:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5426)
- **Nov 6, 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): 384 - 1 (Roll no. 599). (text: CR H5410)
- **Nov 6, 2023:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 384 - 1 (Roll no. 599). (text: CR H5410)
- **Nov 6, 2023:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Nov 3, 2023:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 118-264.
- **Nov 3, 2023:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 213.
- **Jul 19, 2023:** Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries Discharged.
- **Jul 19, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 19, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jun 14, 2023:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jun 9, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries.
- **Mar 14, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 14, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.