

HR 1713

DOE and USDA Interagency Research Act

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

Introduced: Mar 22, 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. (Dec 5, 2023)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/1713>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Lucas, Frank D. [R-OK-3]

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

Cosponsors (10 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Rep. Jackson, Jeff [D-NC-14] | D · NC | | May 11, 2023 |
| Rep. Stevens, Haley M. [D-MI-11] | D · MI | | May 11, 2023 |
| Rep. Perez, Marie Gluesenkamp [D-WA-3] | D · WA | | May 22, 2023 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
|--|---------|-----------------|--------------|
| Agriculture Committee | House | Discharged from | May 11, 2023 |
| Energy and Natural Resources Committee | Senate | Referred To | Dec 5, 2023 |
| Science, Space, and Technology Committee | House | Reported By | May 22, 2023 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 118 S 3301 | Related bill | Nov 14, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. |

Summary (as of Dec 4, 2023)

DOE and USDA Interagency Research Act

This bill requires the Department of Energy and Department of Agriculture to carry out cross-cutting and collaborative research and development activities through the establishment of an interagency agreement.

The agencies are authorized to (1) carry out reimbursable agreements in order to maximize research and development effectiveness, and (2) collaborate with other federal agencies. Further, the interagency agreement must require the use of a competitive, merit-reviewed process, which considers applications from federal agencies, national laboratories, institutions of higher education, and nonprofit institutions.

Research and development activities may include

- collaborative research in a variety of focus areas, such as integrated natural resources and the energy-water nexus, biofuels and biobased products, invasive species management, grid modernization and security, rural technology development, and wildfire risks and prevention;
- developing methods to accommodate large voluntary standardized and integrated data sets on agricultural, environmental, supply chain, and economic information;
- supporting research infrastructure and workforce development; and
- conducting collaborative research and development on ways to improve agriculture operations and processing efficiencies, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 5, 2023:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Dec 4, 2023:** Mr. Lucas moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Dec 4, 2023:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H6089-6090)
- **Dec 4, 2023:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1713.
- **Dec 4, 2023:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H6089-6090)
- **Dec 4, 2023:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H6089-6090)
- **Dec 4, 2023:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 22, 2023:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H. Rept. 118-74, Part I.
- **May 22, 2023:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Agriculture. H. Rept. 118-74, Part II.
- **May 22, 2023:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 54.
- **May 11, 2023:** Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology Discharged.
- **May 11, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 11, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 53 - 1.
- **Apr 25, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology.
- **Mar 29, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 29, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 36 - 0.
- **Mar 22, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 22, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, 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.

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