

HR 4385

Drought Preparedness Act

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Water Resources Development

Introduced: Jun 27, 2023

Current Status: Became Public Law No: 118-170.

Latest Action: Became Public Law No: 118-170. (Dec 23, 2024)

Law: 118-170 (Enacted Dec 23, 2024)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/4385>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CO • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Ciscomani, Juan [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Jun 27, 2023
Rep. Lee, Susie [D-NV-3]	D · NV		Nov 7, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Sep 11, 2024
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Nov 8, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Dec 23, 2024)

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This act reauthorizes through FY2028 the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991, which allows the Bureau of Reclamation to provide drought assistance to Hawaii or certain western states.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 23, 2024:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 23, 2024:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 23, 2024:** Became Public Law No: 118-170.
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S7133)
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 11, 2024:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water and Power. Hearings held.
- **Feb 6, 2024:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Feb 5, 2024:** Mr. Westerman moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Feb 5, 2024:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H403-404)
- **Feb 5, 2024:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4385.
- **Feb 5, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H403)
- **Feb 5, 2024:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H403)
- **Feb 5, 2024:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 30, 2024:** Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 118-365.
- **Jan 30, 2024:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 298.
- **Nov 8, 2023:** Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries Discharged
- **Nov 8, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Nov 8, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 28, 2023:** Subcommittee Hearings Held
- **Sep 26, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries.
- **Jun 27, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 27, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.