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Fire Management Assistance Grants for Tribal Governments Act

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Emergency Management

Introduced: Jul 10, 2024

Current Status: Held at the desk.

Latest Action: Held at the desk. (Dec 18, 2024)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MI • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		Jul 10, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 12, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Emergency Management

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 9121	Related bill	Dec 5, 2024: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 668.

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This bill allows Indian tribal governments to directly participate in the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) program, as opposed to participating through states.

Currently, only states may submit requests to FEMA for declarations authorizing FMAG assistance, and Indian tribal governments affected by a fire must use a state's authorization to receive FMAG assistance. The bill authorizes Indian tribal governments to submit FMAG declaration requests directly to FEMA and receive FMAG assistance under their own declarations. Indian tribal governments may still choose instead to receive FMAG assistance under an authorization requested by a state.

Also, the bill requires FEMA to update its FMAG regulations within 360 days after enactment to carry out the bill.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 18, 2024:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Held at the desk.
- **Dec 17, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 17, 2024:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S7095; text: CR S7095)
- **Nov 12, 2024:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Peters with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 118-237.
- **Nov 12, 2024:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 550.
- **Jul 31, 2024:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jul 10, 2024:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 10, 2024:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.