

HR 4698

To provide for a study on food animal microbiomes, and for other purposes.

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Agriculture and Food

Introduced: Jul 18, 2023

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry. (Aug 24, 2023)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 24, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 18, 2023)

This bill directs the Department of Agriculture to contract with the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine to study a federal research agenda to advance the understanding of food animal microbiomes (including cattle, small ruminants, poultry, and aquaculture species). The term *microbiome* generally refers to a community of microorganisms (such as bacteria, fungi, and viruses) that inhabit a particular environment

The National Academies must submit a report to Congress on the study, including recommendations to advance the federal research agenda on food animal microbiomes.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 24, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology.
- **Aug 24, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.
- **Jul 18, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 18, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.