

HR 5022

ACHE Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment, Manufacturing, and Critical Materials.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment, Manufacturing, and Critical Materials. (Jul 28, 2023)

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Rep. Casar, Greg [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Oct 24, 2023
Rep. Salinas, Andrea [D-OR-6]	D · OR		Feb 26, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 28, 2023
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 27, 2023
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 28, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 27, 2023)

Appalachian Communities Health Equity Act or the ACHE Act

This bill prohibits the authorization or continuation of certain mountaintop removal coal mining pending the results of a study on the health effects of such mining.

Specifically, the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences must study and publish the health effects on surrounding communities of surface coal mining that involves explosives and that is conducted in the steep slopes of Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia, and Virginia. Federal and state agencies may not authorize or renew any such mining until and unless the study concludes that there are no health risks; entities that currently conduct such mining must monitor and report pollution levels associated with such mining until the study's publication.

The Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement must collect a one-time fee from each entity that currently or previously conducted such mining to cover the federal cost of implementing the bill's requirements.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 28, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Jul 28, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment, Manufacturing, and Critical Materials.
- **Jul 27, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 27, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.