

## HR 8613

### NSF and USDA Interagency Research Act

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

**Introduced:** Jun 4, 2024

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology. (Sep 3, 2024)

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### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Dec 3, 2024
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Dec 18, 2024

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 3, 2024
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Markup By	Jun 13, 2024

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## NSF and USDA Interagency Research Act

This bill provides statutory authority for a research and development partnership between the Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the National Science Foundation (NSF).

Specifically, the bill requires USDA and NSF to enter into a memorandum of understanding to support cross-cutting and collaborative research and development that furthers the missions of both agencies. Through the partnership, USDA and NSF may conduct research in a variety of focus areas (e.g., rural economic revitalization), promote multi-agency and cross-sector data sharing, support research infrastructure, and organize education and training initiatives.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 3, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology.
- **Jun 13, 2024:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Jun 13, 2024:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jun 4, 2024:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 4, 2024:** 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.