# HR 204

ACRES Act

**Congress:** 119 (2025–2027, Current)
**Chamber:** House
**Policy Area:** Public Lands and Natural Resources
**Introduced:** Jan 3, 2025
**Current Status:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 490.
**Latest Action:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 490. (Jul 23, 2026)
**Official Text:** https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/house-bill/204

## Sponsor

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

## Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

## Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
|---|---|---|---|
| Agriculture Committee | House | Referred To | Jan 3, 2025 |
| Agriculture Committee | House | Referred to | Feb 14, 2025 |
| Energy and Natural Resources Committee | Senate | Referred To | Jan 22, 2025 |
| Energy and Natural Resources Committee | Senate | Hearings By (subcommittee) | Feb 12, 2026 |
| Natural Resources Committee | House | Referred To | Jan 3, 2025 |

## Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Public Lands and Natural Resources

## Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|---|---|---|
| 119 HR 1567 | Cross-Congress related bill | **Sep 14, 2023:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. |

## Summary (as of Jan 3, 2025)

**Accurately Counting Risk Elimination Solutions Act or the ACRES Act**

This bill establishes requirements regarding reports about hazardous fuels reduction activities and standardized procedures for tracking data for hazardous fuels reduction. *Hazardous fuels reduction activities* means any vegetation management activities that reduce the risk of wildfire but excludes the award of contracts to conduct hazardous fuels reduction activities.

First, the Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Department of the Interior must include in the materials submitted in support of the President's budget each fiscal year a report on the number of acres of federal land on which such activities were carried out during the preceding year.

Next, USDA and Interior must implement standardized procedures for tracking data related to such activities. The standardized procedures must include

- regular, standardized data reviews of the accuracy and timely input of data used to track hazardous fuels reduction activities;
- verification methods that validate whether such data accurately correlates to such activities;
- an analysis of the short- and long-term effectiveness of such activities on reducing the risk of wildfire; and
- for hazardous fuels reduction activities that occur partially within the wildland-urban interface, methods to distinguish which acres are located within and which located outside the wildland-urban interface.

Finally, the Government Accountability Office must (1) conduct a study on this bill's implementation, and (2) submit a report to Congress with the results of the study.

## Actions Timeline

- **Jul 23, 2026:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Lee without amendment. Without written report.
- **Jul 23, 2026:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 490.
- **Mar 4, 2026:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Feb 12, 2026:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 119-305.
- **Feb 12, 2026:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining. Hearings held.
- **Jan 22, 2025:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Jan 21, 2025:** Mr. Westerman moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jan 21, 2025:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H244-246)
- **Jan 21, 2025:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 204.
- **Jan 21, 2025:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H244-245)
- **Jan 21, 2025:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H244-245)
- **Jan 21, 2025:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 3, 2025:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 3, 2025:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, 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.

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