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HR 836

Emergency Wildfire Fighting Technology Act of 2025

Congress: 119 (2025–2027, Current)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

Introduced: Jan 31, 2025

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and F Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and

Forestry. (Feb 6, 2025)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Valadao, David G. [R-CA-22]

Party: Republican • State: CA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-21]	D · CA		Jan 31, 2025
Rep. Amodei, Mark E. [R-NV-2]	$R \cdot NV$		Feb 4, 2025
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Feb 4, 2025
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	$R \cdot WA$		Feb 4, 2025
Rep. Whitesides, George [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Feb 4, 2025

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 7, 2025
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 6, 2025
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 31, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill requires the Forest Service and the Department of the Interior to (1) jointly evaluate the container aerial firefighting system to assess its use to mitigate and suppress wildfires, and (2) report on the results of the evaluation to Congress.

The system allows for the use of airdrop-capable disposable containers of water or fire retardant in order to increase the number of airlift assets available for wildfire emergencies.

Actions Timeline

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