

Environment & Energy Congressional Round-Up | July 28 - August 2, 2025

Highlights:

Sens. Chris Coons (D-Del.), Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.), Susan Collins (R-Maine), and Jack Reed (D-R.I.) introduced [S.2570](#), which amends the *Energy Conservation and Production Act* to reauthorize the U.S. Department of Energy's [Weatherization Assistance Program](#). The program helps reduce low-income households' energy costs by increasing their energy efficiency.

Reps. Eric Sorensen (D-Ill.) and Michael Lawler (R-N.Y.) introduced the *Advancing Research on Agricultural Climate Impacts Act* ([H.R. 4865](#)). The bill [aims to improve](#) tracking of farmers' conservation efforts, particularly through soil carbon sequestration. By improving standards and technology for tracking soil carbon, the government can better reward farmers' efforts for improving soil health and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. To learn more about carbon sinks in agriculture, check out EESI's [briefing](#), *Maximizing the Impact of Natural Climate Solutions*.

Sens. Ted Cruz (R-Texas) and Maria Cantwell (D-Wash.) reintroduced the *NOAA Weather Radio Modernization Act* ([S.2583](#)), which aims to [expand and improve](#) federal weather radio to better assist emergency communications during severe weather events.

Sens. Ben Ray Lujan (D-N.M.), John Cornyn (R-Texas), and Martin Heinrich (D-N.M.) introduced the *Seedlings for Sustainable Habitat Restoration Act of 2025* ([S.2643](#)). The bill would [promote](#) developing seedling nurseries through funding from the *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act* ([P.L. 117-58](#)). The expansion of seedling nurseries supports the growth of native seedlings, which are needed for reforestation and habitat restoration programs across the country.

August 2, 2025

House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.2681](#)

A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the availability of certain clean energy credits.

Sponsor: [Schumer, Charles E. \[Sen.-D-NY\]](#) Cosponsors: ([33](#))

Committees: Senate - Finance

Latest Action: Senate - 08/02/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

August 1, 2025

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.4832](#)

To amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to improve the biobased markets program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Alford, Mark \[Rep.-R-MO-4\]](#) Cosponsors: ([3](#))

Committees: House - Agriculture; Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

[H.R.4835](#)

To amend the Defense Production Act of 1950 to prohibit discrimination based on energy source in the use of certain authorities under title I and title III of such Act, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Barr, Andy \[Rep.-R-KY-6\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

[H.R.4844](#)

To establish an occupational safety and health standard to protect farmworkers from wildfire smoke and excessive heat, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Dexter, Maxine \[Rep.-D-OR-3\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Education and Workforce

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Education and Workforce.

[H.R.4847](#)

To amend title 23, United States Code, to increase flexibility for emergency relief projects, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Garamendi, John \[Rep.-D-CA-8\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

[H.R.4850](#)

To rename the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Hageman, Harriet M. \[Rep.-R-WY-At Large\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.4852](#)

To increase the preparation of structural firefighters to assist in wildfire and wildland-urban interface fire response efforts and the coordination of firefighting teams across all levels of government, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Harder, Josh \[Rep.-D-CA-9\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources; Transportation and Infrastructure; Armed Services; Education and Workforce

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, Transportation and Infrastructure, Armed Services, and Education and Workforce.

[H.R.4853](#)

To institute a reduction in force moratorium at the Forest Service, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Huffman, Jared \[Rep.-D-CA-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (7)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.4854](#)

To institute a reduction in force moratorium at all agencies and bureaus of the Department of the Interior, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Huffman, Jared \[Rep.-D-CA-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (6)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.4861](#)

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit for hazard mitigation projects in connection with certain working waterfront property.

Sponsor: [Pingree, Chellie \[Rep.-D-ME-1\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

[H.R.4864](#)

To require the Environmental Protection Agency to finalize a proposed rule with respect to E15 fuel dispenser labeling and compatibility with underground storage tanks with modifications, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Smith, Adrian \[Rep.-R-NE-3\]](#) Cosponsors: (7)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.4865](#)

To require the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct research relating to measurement, monitoring, reporting, and verification of soil carbon sequestration, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sorensen, Eric \[Rep.-D-IL-17\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.4870](#)

To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain streams in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem in the State of Montana as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Zinke, Ryan K. \[Rep.-R-MT-1\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.Res.623](#)

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives in support of science diplomacy, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Foster, Bill \[Rep.-D-IL-11\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Foreign Affairs

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

[H.Res.628](#)

Recognizing the 20th anniversary of the Renewable Fuel Standard and its foundational role in strengthening United States energy security, supporting rural communities, growing the United States economy, and improving environmental performance.

Sponsor: [Miller, Max L. \[Rep.-R-OH-7\]](#) Cosponsors: (8)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 08/01/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.2643](#)

A bill to amend the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the Chief of the Forest Service, to enter into contracts, grants, and agreements to carry out certain ecosystem restoration activities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Luján, Ben Ray \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2644](#)

A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to assess the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Camden Battlefield area in the State of South Carolina as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Graham, Lindsey \[Sen.-R-SC\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.2653

A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to permit the use of certain electric vehicle charging stations at rest areas on the Interstate System, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Merkley, Jeff \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.2654

A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to improve the biobased markets program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Slotkin, Elissa \[Sen.-D-MI\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2659

A bill to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to enhance the Office of Credit Risk Management, to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to issue rules relating to environmental obligations of certified development companies, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Young, Todd \[Sen.-R-IN\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

S.2660

A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to protect the use of risk-based approaches by owners and operators of certain pipeline facilities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Curtis, John R. \[Sen.-R-UT\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.2661

A bill to allow for the use of risk-based inspections for in-service breakout tanks.

Sponsor: [Curtis, John R. \[Sen.-R-UT\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.2675

A bill to reduce the health risks of heat by establishing the National Integrated Heat Health Information System within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the National Integrated Heat Health Information System Interagency Committee to improve extreme heat preparedness, planning, and response, requiring a study, and establishing financial assistance programs to address heat effects, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Markey, Edward J. \[Sen.-D-MA\]](#) Cosponsors: ([9](#))

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.2676

A bill to require the Director of the National Science Foundation to carry out a cloud laboratory network program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Young, Todd \[Sen.-R-IN\]](#) Cosponsors: ([1](#))

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.J.Res.73

A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "National Volatile Organic Compound Emission Standards for Aerosol Coatings: Interim Final Rule".

Sponsor: [Whitehouse, Sheldon \[Sen.-D-RI\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.J.Res.74

A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration relating to "Pipeline Safety: Editorial Change To Reflect the Name Change of the Gulf of Mexico to the Gulf of America".

Sponsor: [Whitehouse, Sheldon \[Sen.-D-RI\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

[S.Res.364](#)

A resolution recognizing the 20th anniversary of the Renewable Fuel Standard and its foundational role in strengthening American energy security, supporting rural communities, growing the United States economy, and improving environmental performance.

Sponsor: [Ricketts, Pete \[Sen.-R-NE\]](#) Cosponsors: ([5](#))

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 08/01/2025 Referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

July 31, 2025

House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.2566](#)

A bill to amend the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 to authorize States to approve certain organizations to acquire, hold, and manage conservation easements under the Forest Legacy Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: ([1](#))

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2569](#)

A bill to provide forbearance assistance during a major disaster or emergency, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Schiff, Adam B. \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

[S.2570](#)

A bill to amend the Energy Conservation and Production Act to reauthorize the weatherization assistance program.

Sponsor: [Coons, Christopher A. \[Sen.-D-DE\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)
Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources
Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.2571](#)

A bill to establish an occupational safety and health standard to protect farmworkers from wildfire smoke and excessive heat, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Merkley, Jeff \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

[S.2574](#)

A bill to prohibit certain persons from purchasing agricultural land in the United States, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Blackburn, Marsha \[Sen.-R-TN\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)
Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2579](#)

A bill to rename the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lummis, Cynthia M. \[Sen.-R-WY\]](#) Cosponsors: (4)
Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works
Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

[S.2580](#)

A bill to amend the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 to eliminate the prohibition on indirect costs with respect to aquaculture assistance, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Wicker, Roger F. \[Sen.-R-MS\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2581](#)

A bill to reauthorize the National Sea Grant College Program.

Sponsor: [Cantwell, Maria \[Sen.-D-WA\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)
Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

[S.2582](#)

A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct research relating to measurement, monitoring, reporting, and verification of soil carbon sequestration, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Smith, Tina \[Sen.-D-MN\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2583](#)

A bill to require the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere to expand and modernize the weather radio system of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Cruz, Ted \[Sen.-R-TX\]](#) Cosponsors: (5)
Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

[S.2585](#)

A bill to modernize and improve the Broadband Funding Map in order to promote the most efficient use of Federal funds for broadband deployment, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Fischer, Deb \[Sen.-R-NE\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

[S.2586](#)

A bill to require the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to establish an assessment program for commercial-scale offshore aquaculture through demonstration projects, to establish Aquaculture Centers of Excellence, to support aquaculture workforce development and working waterfronts, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Wicker, Roger F. \[Sen.-R-MS\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

[S.2591](#)

A bill to require the Environmental Protection Agency to finalize a proposed rule with respect to E15 fuel dispenser labeling and compatibility with underground storage tanks with modifications, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Ernst, Joni \[Sen.-R-IA\]](#) Cosponsors: (5)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

[S.2593](#)

A bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce to submit a report assessing vulnerabilities to the electric grid in the United States from certain Internet-connected devices and applications, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Scott, Rick \[Sen.-R-FL\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

[S.2595](#)

A bill to institute a reduction in force moratorium at the Department of Energy, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Heinrich, Martin \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.2596](#)

A bill to institute a reduction in force moratorium at the Forest Service, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Heinrich, Martin \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2597

A bill to institute a reduction in force moratorium at all agencies and bureaus of the Department of the Interior, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Heinrich, Martin \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#) Cosponsors: ([1](#))

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.2598

A bill to expand research relating to the use of forest products, to support research and technologies of the Forest Service, and to establish a mass timber science and education program to respond to the emerging research needs of architects, developers, and the forest products industry.

Sponsor: [Heinrich, Martin \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#) Cosponsors: ([3](#))

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2608

A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to improve the conservation reserve program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Thune, John \[Sen.-R-SD\]](#) Cosponsors: ([3](#))

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2610

A bill to terminate the Community Connect Grant program of the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Ernst, Joni \[Sen.-R-IA\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2618

A bill to improve the process for awarding grants under certain programs of the Department of Agriculture to certain counties in which the majority of land is owned or managed by the Federal Government and to other units of local government and Tribal governments in those counties, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Cortez Masto, Catherine \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (4)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2619

A bill to improve the process for awarding grants under certain programs of the Department of Transportation to certain counties in which the majority of land is owned or managed by the Federal Government and to other units of local government and Tribal governments in those counties, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Cortez Masto, Catherine \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.2630

A bill to institute a reduction in force moratorium at the National Science Foundation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Hirono, Mazie K. \[Sen.-D-HI\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.2633

A bill to institute a reduction in force moratorium at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Hirono, Mazie K. \[Sen.-D-HI\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.2635

A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to increase flexibility for emergency relief projects, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.2637

A bill to provide for the standardization, consolidation, and publication of data relating to public outdoor recreational use of Federal waterways among Federal land and water management agencies, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Barrasso, John \[Sen.-R-WY\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.2638

A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the low-income housing credit for rehabilitation expenditures for buildings achieving enhanced energy performance, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Klobuchar, Amy \[Sen.-D-MN\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: Senate - Finance

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

S.J.Res.71

A joint resolution terminating the national emergency declared with respect to energy.

Sponsor: [Kaine, Tim \[Sen.-D-VA\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Bills Reported:

S.2572

Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2026

Sponsor: [McConnell, Mitch \[Sen.-R-KY\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Appropriations

Latest Action: Senate - 07/31/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 137.

July 30, 2025

House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

S.2538

A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit for hazard mitigation projects in connection with certain working waterfront property.

Sponsor: [King, Angus S., Jr. \[Sen.-I-ME\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Finance

Latest Action: Senate - 07/30/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

S.2543

A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to submit a report on New World screwworm readiness and response.

Sponsor: [Cornyn, John \[Sen.-R-TX\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/30/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2548

A bill to designate the Camp Hutchins Wilderness and establish Special Management Areas in the Shawnee National Forest in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Durbin, Richard J. \[Sen.-D-IL\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/30/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.2550

A bill to provide for international cooperation to secure critical mineral supply chains, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Shaheen, Jeanne \[Sen.-D-NH\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Foreign Relations

Latest Action: Senate - 07/30/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

[S.2554](#)

A bill to provide for the recognition of certain Alaska Native communities and the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Murkowski, Lisa \[Sen.-R-AK\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/30/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Committee Hearings:

USDA REORGANIZATION PROPOSAL

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a [hearing](#) to examine a review of the USDA reorganization proposal, after receiving testimony from Stephen Alexander Vaden, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture.

U.S.-AFRICA PARTNERSHIPS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy concluded a [hearing](#) to examine finding opportunities for U.S.-Africa partnerships, after receiving testimony from Jonathan Pratt, Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of African Affairs, and Scott Woodward, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic Growth, Energy, and Environment, both of the Department of State.

July 29, 2025

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.4781](#)

To amend the FAST Act to add activities relating to the extraction, recovery, or processing of certain materials to the definition of a critical project, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Barr, Andy \[Rep.-R-KY-6\]](#) Cosponsors: (9)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/29/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.4782

To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a program under which the Secretary will enter into cooperative agreements with State, local, or Tribal governments increase the purchase of local foods, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Bresnahan, Robert P. \[Rep.-R-PA-8\]](#) Cosponsors: (11)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 07/29/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

H.R.4785

To direct the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to prohibit covered utilities from recovering covered expenses from ratepayers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Castor, Kathy \[Rep.-D-FL-14\]](#) Cosponsors: (6)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/29/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R.4790

To establish a State rail formula grant program, to direct Federal Railroad Administration to create a Green Railroads Fund, to expand passenger rail programs, to address air quality concerns, to establish rail workforce training centers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Deluzio, Christopher R. \[Rep.-D-PA-17\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure; Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/29/2025 Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R.4800

To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to make certain freshwater fisheries eligible for fishery resource disaster relief.

Sponsor: [Higgins, Clay \[Rep.-R-LA-3\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 07/29/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.4809

To assign a resident inspector to certain commercial nuclear power plants to conduct inspections of decommissioning activities and spent nuclear fuel transfer activities.

Sponsor: [Levin, Mike \[Rep.-D-CA-49\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/29/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R.4810

To designate an environmental review procedure for certain assistance administered by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Sponsor: [Liccardo, Sam T. \[Rep.-D-CA-16\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 07/29/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

H.R.4816

To provide that funds made available under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act for lead service line replacement projects be provided to disadvantaged communities in the form of forgivable loans or grants, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Nunn, Zachary \[Rep.-R-IA-3\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/29/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R.4818

To give effect to a final rule of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration relating to gas pipeline leak detection and repair, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Peters, Scott H. \[Rep.-D-CA-50\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure; Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 07/29/2025 Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.2498](#)

A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend certain leases within units of the National Park System without opening the lease to bidding.

Sponsor: [Tillis, Thomas \[Sen.-R-NC\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/29/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.2500](#)

A bill to amend the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 to include as a high-priority research and extension area research on microplastics in land-applied biosolids on farmland, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Merkley, Jeff \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#) Cosponsors: (4)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 07/29/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.2505](#)

A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to clarify the requisite timeline for making a decision on the approval or disapproval of a State underground injection control program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sullivan, Dan \[Sen.-R-AK\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 07/29/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

[S.2508](#)

A bill to give effect to a final rule of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration relating to gas pipeline leak detection and repair, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Luján, Ben Ray \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#) Cosponsors: (6)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/29/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

[S.2520](#)

A bill to establish a State rail formula grant program, to direct Federal Railroad Administration to create a Green Railroads Fund, to expand passenger rail programs, to address air quality concerns, to establish rail workforce training centers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Markey, Edward J. \[Sen.-D-MA\]](#) Cosponsors: (8)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/29/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Bills Reported:

[S.389](#)

Setting Consumer Standards for Lithium-Ion Batteries Act

Sponsor: [Gillibrand, Kirsten E. \[Sen.-D-NY\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 07/29/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 133.

Passed Senate:

[S.1020](#)

A bill to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to extend the time period during which licensees are required to commence construction of certain hydropower projects.

Sponsor: [Daines, Steve \[Sen.-R-MT\]](#) Cosponsors: (6)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 07/29/2025 Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.

[S.Res.344](#)

A resolution observing the 20th anniversary of the date on which Hurricane Katrina devastated the Gulf Coast and recognizing the progress of efforts to rebuild the affected Gulf Coast region.

Sponsor: [Hyde-Smith, Cindy \[Sen.-R-MS\]](#) Cosponsors: (5)

Latest Action: Senate - 07/29/2025 Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.

Committee Hearings:

U.S. GRAIN STANDARDS ACT

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a [hearing](#) to examine perspectives on reauthorization of the United States Grain Standards Act, after receiving testimony from Nick Friant, Cargill, Inc., Chanhassen, Minnesota, on behalf of the National Grain and Feed Association; Kia Mikesh, American Association of Grain Inspection and Weighing Agencies, Fargo, North Dakota; and Brandon Wipf, American Soybean Association, Huron, South Dakota.

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House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

S.2472

A bill to require the Secretary of Defense to request modifications relating to certain permits issued under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Gillibrand, Kirsten E. \[Sen.-D-NY\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: Senate - Armed Services

Latest Action: Senate - 07/28/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

S.2478

A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to carry out a grant program to support efforts to provide fare-free transit service, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Markey, Edward J. \[Sen.-D-MA\]](#) Cosponsors: ([1](#))

Committees: Senate - Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 07/28/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.