

Environment & Energy Congressional Round-Up | October 27 - October 31, 2025

The House Committee on Natural Resources passed the *Digital Coast Reauthorization Act of 2025* ([H.R.4256](#)). Reps. Dave Min (D-Calif.) and Rob Wittman (R-Va.) introduced the bill to [reauthorize](#) the Digital Coast program, whose funding expired this September. The program supports information, technology, and training needed to preserve and protect coastal communities from the growing threats of climate change. Sens. Tammy Baldwin (D-Wis.) and Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) lead the bill ([S.2245](#)) in the Senate.

The Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works agreed to the *Research for Environmental Uses and Sustainable Economies (REUSE) Act of 2025* ([S.2110](#)). Sens. Jeff Merkley (D-Ore.) and Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.) introduced the bill, which [directs](#) the Environmental Protection Agency to collect data on and provide recommendations for [plastics reuse](#) and refill systems across the country.

The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations advanced the *Critical Minerals Partnership Act of 2025* ([S.2250](#)). The bill, introduced by Sens. Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.) and John Curtis (R-Utah), aims to [strengthen](#) international partnerships to develop secure supply chains for critical minerals. To learn more about critical minerals, check out EESI's issue brief, [Critical Minerals and the U.S. Clean Energy Transition](#).

The Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works advanced the *Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) of 2025* ([S.2235](#)), led by Sens. Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.), Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.), John Barrasso (R-Wyo.), Cory Booker (D-N.J.), Dan Sullivan (R-Alaska), and Lisa Blunt Rochester (D-Del.). The bill, if passed, would [reauthorize](#) and bolster the DERA program through 2029 to reduce pollution from heavy-duty diesel engines. Reps. Doris Matsui (D-Calif.), Ken Calvert (R-Calif.), Chellie Pingree (D-Maine), and Nick Langworthy (R-N.Y.) reintroduced the bill ([H.R.2140](#)) in the House.

Reps. Mike Thompson (D-Calif.) and Richard Neal (D-Mass.) introduced the *American Energy Independence and Affordability Act* ([H.R.5862](#)) with the support of 114 democratic cosponsors. The bill aims to [restore](#) key renewable energy tax incentives passed in the *Inflation Reduction Act* ([P.L.117-69](#)) to support the country's clean energy transition. To learn more about the IRA's clean energy tax credits, check out EESI's 2023 [briefing](#).

October 31, 2025

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.5875](#)

To provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2029, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Costa, Jim \[Rep.-D-CA-21\]](#) Cosponsors: ([3](#))

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 10/31/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5888](#)

To provide for limitations on the implementation and enforcement of a global carbon tax with respect to the United States.

Sponsor: [Pfluger, August \[Rep.-R-TX-11\]](#) Cosponsors: ([12](#))

Committees: House - Foreign Affairs; Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 10/31/2025 Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.

[H.R.5896](#)

To amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to repeal the standard relating to electric vehicle charging programs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Van Drew, Jefferson \[Rep.-R-NJ-2\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 10/31/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Bills Reported:

[H.R.2815](#)

Cape Fox Land Entitlement Finalization Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Begich, Nicholas \[Rep.-R-AK-At Large\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Committee Report: [H. Rept. 119-354](#)

Latest Action: House - 10/31/2025 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 306.

[H.R.2916](#)

To authorize, ratify, and confirm the Agreement of Settlement and Compromise to Resolve the Akwesasne Mohawk Land Claim in the State of New York, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Stefanik, Elise M. \[Rep.-R-NY-21\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Committee Report: [H. Rept. 119-355](#)

Latest Action: House - 10/31/2025 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 307.

[H.R.3692](#)

To reauthorize the Young Fishermen's Development Act.

Sponsor: [Moulton, Seth \[Rep.-D-MA-6\]](#) Cosponsors: ([8](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 10/31/2025 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 308.

[H.R.3872](#)

MERICA Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Fallon, Pat \[Rep.-R-TX-4\]](#) Cosponsors: ([2](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 10/31/2025 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 309.

[H.R.4256](#)

Digital Coast Reauthorization Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Min, Dave \[Rep.-D-CA-47\]](#) Cosponsors: ([13](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 10/31/2025 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 310.

Senate:

The Senate did not meet today.

October 30, 2025

House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.3075](#)

A bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to reauthorize rural cooperative development grants.

Sponsor: [Cortez Masto, Catherine \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/30/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.3082](#)

A bill to prohibit oil and natural gas exploration, development, and production in certain areas of the outer Continental Shelf off the coast of Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina.

Sponsor: [Moody, Ashley \[Sen.-R-FL\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 10/30/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.3084](#)

A bill to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to establish the ReConnet program under that Act, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Marshall, Roger \[Sen.-R-KS\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/30/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.3088](#)

A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the advanced manufacturing production credit to include fusion energy components.

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

Committees: Senate - Finance

Latest Action: Senate - 10/30/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Bills Reported:

[S.2550](#)

Critical Minerals Partnership Act of 2025

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

Committees: Senate - Foreign Relations

Latest Action: Senate - 10/30/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 239.

Passed Senate:

[S.J.Res.80](#)

A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Land Management relating to "National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska Integrated Activity Plan Record of Decision".

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 10/31/2025 Held at the desk.

October 29, 2025

House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

Bills Reported:

[S.2082](#)

Nuclear REFUEL Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Husted, Jon \[Sen.-R-OH\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 10/29/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 224.

[S.2110](#)

REUSE Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Merkley, Jeff \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works
Latest Action: Senate - 10/29/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 225.

[S.2235](#)

Diesel Emissions Reduction Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Whitehouse, Sheldon \[Sen.-D-RI\]](#) Cosponsors: (5)
Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works
Latest Action: Senate - 10/29/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 226.

[S.2741](#)

Legacy Mine Cleanup Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Kelly, Mark \[Sen.-D-AZ\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works
Latest Action: Senate - 10/29/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 228.

[S.2878](#)

Great Lakes Fishery Research Reauthorization Act

Sponsor: [Peters, Gary C. \[Sen.-D-MI\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works
Latest Action: Senate - 10/29/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 229.

[S.3022](#)

Save Our Seas 2.0 Marine Debris Infrastructure Programs Reauthorization Act

Sponsor: [Sullivan, Dan \[Sen.-R-AK\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works
Latest Action: Senate - 10/29/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 230.

Committee Hearings:

NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a [hearing](#) to examine the Section 106 consultation process under the National Historic Preservation Act, after receiving testimony from Christopher W. Merritt, Utah State Historic Preservation Officer, Millcreek; Andy McDonald, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.,

Bismarck, North Dakota; and Steven Concho, National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers, Acoma, New Mexico.

Other Committee Meetings:

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items: [S. 2082](#), to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to modify the definition of “production facility” to exclude an equipment or device capable of reprocessing spent nuclear fuel in a manner that does not separate plutonium from other transuranic elements; [S. 2235](#), to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to reauthorize the diesel emissions reduction program; [S. 2741](#), to establish within the Environmental Protection Agency the Office of Mountains, Deserts, and Plains, with an amendment; [S. 3022](#), to amend the Save Our Seas 2.0 Act to reauthorize certain Environmental Protection Agency programs; [S. 2110](#), to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to prepare a report on reuse and refill systems; [S. 2878](#), to reauthorize funding to monitor, assess, and research the Great Lakes Basin; [S. 287](#), to designate the Federal building located at 225 South Pierre Street in Pierre, South Dakota, as the “Marcella LeBeau Federal Building”; [S. 2319](#), to designate the Federal building located at 300 West Congress Street in Tucson, Arizona, as the “Raúl M. Grijalva Federal Building”; 3 General Services Administration resolutions.

October 28, 2025

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.5845](#)

To establish a lending program for Latin America and the Caribbean to reaffirm the United States commitment to sustainable and equitable growth and energy security in the Western Hemisphere.

Sponsor: [Espaillat, Adriano \[Rep.-D-NY-13\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Foreign Affairs

Latest Action: House - 10/28/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

[H.R.5846](#)

To reauthorize funding for the Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grant Program of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Sponsor: [Espaillat, Adriano \[Rep.-D-NY-13\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 10/28/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

H.R.5848

To extend the National Flood Insurance Program through December 31, 2026.

Sponsor: [Ezell, Mike \[Rep.-R-MS-4\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 10/28/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

H.R.5852

To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate the Upper Raritan River Watershed in the State of New Jersey for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Kean, Thomas H. \[Rep.-R-NJ-7\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 10/28/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.5854

Sustainable Agriculture Research Act

Sponsor: [Neguse, Joe \[Rep.-D-CO-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 10/28/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

H.R.5855

Measuring the Cost of Disasters Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Neguse, Joe \[Rep.-D-CO-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 10/28/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R.5862

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restore certain energy-related provisions as in effect prior to the enactment of Public Law 119-21.

Sponsor: [Thompson, Mike \[Rep.-D-CA-4\]](#) Cosponsors: (114)

Committees: House - Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 10/28/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R.5866

To require the Secretary of Agriculture to release a reversionary interest in certain land in the Black River State Forest in Millston, Wisconsin, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Van Orden, Derrick \[Rep.-R-WI-3\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 10/28/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

H.R.5868

To amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to provide grants under the Drinking Water Infrastructure Risk and Resilience Program for training programs relating to protecting public water systems from and responding to cyberattacks, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Wilson, Frederica S. \[Rep.-D-FL-24\]](#) Cosponsors: ([8](#))

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 10/28/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R.5869

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act with respect to assistance for Indian Tribes, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Wilson, Frederica S. \[Rep.-D-FL-24\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 10/28/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

S.J.Res.91

A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Land Management relating to "Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program Record of Decision".

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 10/28/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.J.Res.92

A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Federal Highway Administration relating to "Rescinding Regulations Regarding Management Systems Pertaining to the Fish and Wildlife Service and the Refuge Roads Program"".

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

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 10/28/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.J.Res.93

A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement relating to "Restoration of Names That Honor American Greatness; Gulf of America".

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

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 10/28/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Bills Reported:

S.673

Miccosukee Reserved Area Amendments Act

Sponsor: [Scott, Rick \[Sen.-R-FL\]](#) Cosponsors: ([1](#))

Committees: Senate - Indian Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 10/28/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 220.

October 27, 2025

House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.3058](#)

A bill to provide appropriations to the Secretary of Agriculture to provide payments to agricultural producers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Hawley, Josh \[Sen.-R-MO\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/27/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Bills Reported:

[H.R.197](#)

Lake Winnibigoshish Land Exchange Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Stauber, Pete \[Rep.-R-MN-8\]](#) Cosponsors: ([2](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources | Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/27/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 218.

[H.R.1612](#)

Flatside Wilderness Additions Act

Sponsor: [Hill, J. French \[Rep.-R-AR-2\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources | Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/27/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 219.

[S.277](#)

A bill to release a Federal reversionary interest and convey mineral interests in Chester County, Tennessee, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Blackburn, Marsha \[Sen.-R-TN\]](#) Cosponsors: ([1](#))

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/27/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 207.

[S.1262](#)

A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to release a reversionary interest in certain land in the Black River State Forest in Millston, Wisconsin, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Johnson, Ron \[Sen.-R-WI\]](#) Cosponsors: ([1](#))

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
Latest Action: Senate - 10/27/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 209.

S.1350

A bill to modify the boundaries of the Talladega National Forest, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Tuberville, Tommy \[Sen.-R-AL\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/27/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 210.

S.1376

Benton MacKaye National Scenic Trail Feasibility Study Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Tillis, Thomas \[Sen.-R-NC\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/27/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 211.fkl

S.1462

Fix Our Forests Act

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

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/27/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 212.

S.1680

Virginia Wilderness Additions Act of 2025

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

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/27/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 213.

S.1681

Shenandoah Mountain Act

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

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/27/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 214.

S.2440

A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain National Forest System land located in Franklin County, Mississippi, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Hyde-Smith, Cindy \[Sen.-R-MS\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/27/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 216.

S.2548

Shawnee National Forest Conservation Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Durbin, Richard J. \[Sen.-D-IL\]](#) Cosponsors: ([1](#))

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 10/27/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 217.
