

Brief



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Federal Update, Legislative Committee June 18, 2020

General Update

The Senate was in session this week while the House of Representatives continued to do much of its committee-related work remotely. The House is scheduled to come back into session beginning June 25. At that time, the House is expected to consider a major law enforcement reform bill, which was introduced last week in response to the recent tragedy in Minneapolis and nationwide calls for reforms to policing practices.

FY 2021 Appropriations

Senate appropriators plan to begin marking up their 12 annual spending bills beginning the week of June 22. The start date puts Senate appropriators ahead of their House counterparts, who plan to begin markups the week of July 6.

Water Hearing in the House

The House Natural Resources Committee's Water, Oceans, and Wildlife (WOW) Subcommittee is scheduled to hold a hearing on a series of water bills on June 24th. All the bills under consideration have bipartisan support and are non-controversial. None of the bills directly impact California water policy. According to committee staff, Subcommittee Chairman Jared Huffman's FUTURE Drought Act is still in the process of being drafted and will likely be the subject of a subsequent hearing.

WRDA

The House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee is expected to release a draft Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) reauthorization bill before the July 4 recess. WRDA measures, among other things, authorize projects that fall under the purview of the Army Corps of Engineers. We expect the bill to be marked up in Full Committee the week of July 6th and possibly be considered by the Full House before the August break.

Infrastructure – COVID-19 Recovery

Work in the House on an infrastructure bill begins in earnest this week with consideration of a massive transportation reauthorization bill by the full House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. The bill is expected to be reported out favorably on Thursday of this week and considered on the Floor of the House starting on June 30th. The transportation reauthorization bill will likely be the foundation for a few future, larger infrastructure packages that will eventually include additional Federal resources to help address water infrastructure and ecosystem restoration needs nationwide. The Senate is taking a similar approach, but the final Senate package is expected to be more modest in scope and cost than the House package. Final action on infrastructure is unlikely before the November election.

Special Districts Legislation

Congressman John Garamendi (D-CA) has introduced HR 7073, the Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act, that requires that special districts receive no less than 5 percent of future COVID-19 relief funds. The bill would also give special districts access to the Federal Reserve's Municipal Lending Facility, which would provide special districts with access to low-cost, short-term financing.



Water Legislative Tracker

Last Updated: June 16, 2020

Overview

The following legislative tracker provides the status of legislation introduced in the 116th Congress pertaining to water issues. Each of the bill numbers is hyperlinked to the bill text, FiscalNote (FN) Outlook information and other related details.

The FN Outlook on the right side of each bill provides the legislation's pre-Floor (left) and Floor (right) likelihood of passing. The percentages shown are the status of the bill in the Chamber where it is currently under consideration (this is shown under 'Status'). The pre-Floor score is defined as the bill's likelihood of passing after it has been introduced but while it is being considered in that chamber's committees - before it has moved to the Floor for a vote.

Bills by Issue

Monterey (36)

Bill Number	Last Action	Status	FN Outlook
HR 830	Referred To The House Committee On Financial Services 2019 01 29	In House	7.8% 89.5%
Title Flood Insurance for Farmers Act of 2019			
Primary Sponsors John Garamendi			
		Bill Summary: This bill would provide farmers access to discounted rates under the National Flood Insurance Program. The legislation would also lift the de facto federal prohibition on construction and repair of agricultural structures in high flood-risk areas designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The Flood Insurance for Farmers Act of 2019 will provide farmers with a discounted rate under the National Flood Insurance Program. Additionally, the ban on farmers constructing or repairing structures in high flood-risk areas would be lifted. Under this legislation, FEMA would be required to develop a new flood mapping zones for basins in the Sacramento Valley and other locations protected by levees that do not currently meet the federally mandated 100-year level of flood protection. These new flood zones would be based on actuarial risk and not be mandated to be at 100-year levels.	
		Introduction Date: 2019-01-29	

Bill Number
HR 967

Last Action
Subcommittee Hearings Held 2019 06 13

Status
In House

FN Outlook
4.5% 72.7%

Title
Clean Water for Rural Communities Act

Primary Sponsors
Greg Gianforte

Bill Summary: This bill would authorize the Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority System and the Musselshell-Judith Rural Water System in the States of Montana and North Dakota, and for other purposes. The Musselshell-Judith Rural Water System project will be authorized under this bill to facilitate water treatment and delivery to portions of the Judith Basin, Wheatland, Golden Valley, Musselshell, Fergus, and Yellowstone Counties of Montana. Under this bill, the Dry Redwater Regional Water Authority System project will be authorized to complete a feasibility study and to continue working with the Bureau of Reclamation.

Introduction Date: 2019-02-05

Bill Number
HR 1162

Last Action
Subcommittee On Water Oceans And Wildlife
Discharged 2020 03 11

Status
In House

FN Outlook
36.7% 84.1%

Title
Water Recycling Investment and Improvement Act

Primary Sponsors
Grace Napolitano

Bill Summary: The bill aims to assist water agencies with the expansion, planning, design, and building of water recycling plants and modernizing water infrastructure in California and other western states. Specifically, the bill would increase funding authorization for the Bureau of Reclamation's Title XVI water recycling competitive grant program to \$500 million from \$50 million. It would also make the program permanent as it currently expires in 2021, and funds water recycling and reuse projects for 17 western states.

Introduction Date: 2019-02-13

Bill Number
HR 1331

Last Action
Received In The Senate And Read Twice And
Referred To The Committee On Environment
And Public Works 2019 04 09

Status
In Senate

FN Outlook
4.1% 51.3%

Title
Local Water Protection Act

Primary Sponsors
Angie Craig

Bill Summary: Increases grant funding for state and local governments to decrease water pollutants, including addressing toxic agricultural runoff, septic to sewer conversions, legacy pollutants, impacts from dams, effects of channelization of waterbodies and other forms of pollution.

Introduction Date: 2019-02-25

Bill Number
HR 1429

Last Action
Introduced In House 2019 02 28

Status
In House

FN Outlook
5.4% 87.4%

Title
Drinking Water Infrastructure for Job Creation Act

Primary Sponsors
Maxine Waters

Bill Summary: This bill would make supplemental appropriations for FY 2019 for the Drinking Water State Revolving Funds, and for other purposes. The Drinking Water Infrastructure for Job Creation Act will provide emergency supplemental appropriations of \$7.5 billion over the next six years. These funds will be used for job creation and to address the nation's drinking water infrastructure. The funds provided from this bill will be appropriated to the Drinking Water State Revolving Funds and will assist public water systems finance infrastructure projects. The funding provided by this bill is designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985. The emergency funding is exempt from discretionary spending limits and is only available if the President subsequently designates the amounts as an emergency and submits the designation to Congress. The bill also exempts the funding from sequestration. (Sequestration is a process of automatic, usually across-the-board spending reductions under which budgetary resources are permanently cancelled to enforce specific budget policy goals.)

Introduction Date: 2019-02-28

Bill Number
HR 1497

Last Action
Subcommittee On Water Resources And
Environment Discharged 2019 10 29

Status
In House

FN Outlook
17.8% 87.8%

Title
Water Quality Protection and Job Creation Act of 2019

Primary Sponsors
Peter DeFazio

Bill Summary: The bill would renew the Federal commitment to addressing local water quality challenges by providing an infusion of Federal assistance for the construction, repair, and replacement of the Nation's network of wastewater and stormwater conveyance and treatment facilities. The Water Quality Protection and Job Creation Act of 2019 will address America's crumbling wastewater infrastructure and local water quality challenges. This bill authorizes \$23.5 billion to improve wastewater infrastructure. This bill also will provide funds for agencies to meet Clean Water Act standards by constructing stormwater systems. The funding provided in the bill will be used in direct infrastructure investment over the next five years. Funds will be given to projects that address America's crumbling wastewater infrastructure and improve local water quality challenges. The Water Quality Protection and Job Creation Act also increase the amount of federal assistance made available to states and communities through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund program.

Introduction Date: 2019-03-05

Bill Number
HR 1621

Last Action
Referred To The Subcommittee On Water
Oceans And Wildlife 2019 03 28

Status
In House

FN Outlook
13.3% 75.1%

Title
Water Supply Permitting Coordination Act

Primary Sponsors
Tom McClintock

Bill Summary: This bill would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to coordinate federal and state permitting processes related to the construction of new surface water storage projects on lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture and to designate the Bureau of Reclamation as the lead agency for permit processing, and for other purposes. This bill would establish a framework in which federal agencies with permitting responsibilities for the construction of new surface water storage projects must work together, coordinate their schedules, share data and technical materials, and make their findings publicly available.

Introduction Date: 2019-03-07

Bill Number
HR 1747

Last Action
Reported Amended By The Committee On
Natural Resources H Rept 116 314 2019 11 26

Status
In House

FN Outlook
19.5% 88.4%

Title
National Fish Habitat Conservation Through Partnerships Act

Primary Sponsors
Rob Wittman

Bill Summary: This bill codifies National Fish Habitat Partnerships, an initiative that aims to achieve measurable habitat conservation results through strategic partnerships that lead to better fish habitat conditions and increased fishing opportunities.

Introduction Date: 2019-03-13

Bill Number
HR 2313

Last Action
Introduced In House 2019 04 12

Status
In House

FN Outlook
5.4% 90.9%

Title
Water Conservation Rebate Tax Parity Act

Primary Sponsors
Jared Huffman

Bill Summary: The bill clarifies that homeowners do not need to pay income tax when they receive rebates from water utilities for water conservation and water runoff management improvements that they have made. It clarifies that these rebates, which are growing in number and size across the nation, are not taxable income, but rather an effort to defray upfront consumer costs for a public benefit. It also would encourage residents to reduce water usage by installing "gray water" capture systems or purchasing new water-efficient appliances and plumbing fixtures can provide significant water yield benefits, protecting public health, the environment, and local economies. These rebates provide a net benefit to the public and utilities. This would ensure that the IRS treats water conservation rebates in the same manner as the Agency treats energy conservation rebates, including insulation, Energy Star-certified windows and doors, and energy efficient appliances, which are not taxable.

Introduction Date: 2019-04-12

Bill Number
HR 2470

Last Action
Referred To The Subcommittee On Water
Resources And Environment 2019 05 03

Status
In House

FN Outlook
45.6% 84.0%

Title
Clean Water Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainability Act

Primary Sponsors
Salud Carbajal

Bill Summary: This bill establishes an EPA grant program for communities to improve the resiliency and adaptability of their water-related infrastructure. Competitive grants will spur projects which conserve water or increase efficiency in its use, preserve or improve water quality, rebuild or relocate threatened infrastructure, protect source waters and ecosystems, and implement advanced treatment technologies such as water reuse and recycling.

Introduction Date: 2019-05-02

Bill Number
HR 2473

Last Action
Subcommittee On Water Oceans And Wildlife
Discharged 2020 03 11

Status
In House

FN Outlook
5.4% 89.3%

Title
Securing Access for the central Valley and Enhancing (SAVE) Water Resources Act

Primary Sponsors
Josh Harder

Bill Summary: This is the companion bill to H.R. 116, the Water Recycling Investment and Improvement Act. The bill provides a broad approach to addressing water issues facing the Central Valley by increasing storage opportunities, spurring innovation, and making investments in our aging infrastructure. The bill also leverages federal resources to identify prime locations for groundwater storage and recharge in California and across the Western United States. This bill requires the Bureau of Reclamation to expedite feasibility studies for four specific storage projects in the Central Valley, including: Sites Reservoir, Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir, Los Vaqueros and San Luis Reservoirs and provides \$100 million in storage funding. The bill also invests in water reuse and recycling by increasing funding for WaterSMART programs from \$50 million to \$500 million and extending the program's authorization. It also establishes a water infrastructure and drought resolutions fund to provide \$300 million for water surface and groundwater storage, reclamation and reuse, and WaterSMART program projects. The bill would create a innovating financing program which would provide low-interest federal loans to fund local water infrastructure projects, and would reauthorize the Rural Water Supply Act.

Introduction Date: 2019-05-02

Bill Number
HR 2665

Last Action
Committee Consideration And Mark Up
Session Held 2019 07 17

Status
In House

FN Outlook
21.0% 89.4%

Title
Smart Energy and Water Efficiency Act of 2019

Primary Sponsors
Jerry McNerney

Bill Summary: This bill would establish a smart energy and water efficiency management program at the Department of Energy to award grants to eligible entities to demonstrate advanced and innovative technology-based solutions that would increase and improve the energy efficiency of water, wastewater, and water reuse systems, among other things.

Introduction Date: 2019-05-10

Bill Number
HR 2871

Last Action
Referred To The Subcommittee On Water
Oceans And Wildlife 2019 06 10

Status
In House

FN Outlook
6.4% 67.5%

Title
Aquifer Recharge Flexibility Act

Primary Sponsors
Russ Fulcher

Bill Summary: This is the companion bill to S. 1570. The bill would let the Commissioner of Reclamation allow the use of excess capacity in Bureau conveyance facilities for carriage of non-Reclamation project water for aquifer recharge.

Introduction Date: 2019-05-21

Bill Number
HR 3596

Last Action
Placed On The Union Calendar Calendar No
238 2019 11 15

Status
In House

FN Outlook
13.0% 91.0%

Title
Keep America's Waterfronts Working Act

Primary Sponsors
Chellie Pingree

Bill Summary: The Keep America's Waterfronts Working Act would establish a Working Waterfront Grant Program to provide matching, competitive grants to coastal states. These grants would help to preserve and expand access to coastal waters for commercial fishing, recreational guiding, aquaculture, boat building, and other water-dependent businesses. The bill would also create a Working Waterfront Task Force at the Department of the Interior. The task force would identify and prioritize critical working waterfront needs with respect to their cultural and economic importance, climate change and other environmental threats, and market conditions for water-dependent businesses. It would also identify working waterfronts within communities.

Introduction Date: 2019-06-28

Bill Number
HR 4033

Last Action
Referred To The Subcommittee On
Commodity Exchanges Energy And Credit 2019
09 04

Status
In House

FN Outlook
5.4% 78.2%

Title
Water Justice Act

Primary Sponsors
Dan Kildee

Bill Summary: This is the companion bill to S. 2466.

Introduction Date: 2019-07-25

Bill Number
HR 4402

Last Action
Received In The Senate And Read Twice And
Referred To The Committee On Homeland
Security And Governmental Affairs 2019 12 10

Status
In Senate

FN Outlook
4.9% 50.6%

Title
Inland Waters Security Review Act

Primary Sponsors
Debbie Lesko

Bill Summary: This bill requires the Homeland Security Department to conduct a threat analysis of the country's inland waterways, such as navigable rivers and lakes.

Introduction Date: 2019-09-19

Bill Number	Last Action	Status	FN Outlook
HR 4659	Referred To The Subcommittee On Water Oceans And Wildlife 2019 10 22	In House	4.5% 80.6%

Title
Water Supply Infrastructure Rehabilitation and Utilization Act

Primary Sponsors
Dan Newhouse

Bill Summary: The bill will address the Bureau of Reclamation's maintenance backlog by streamlining the process for local water operators, strengthen the "Safety of Dams" program to improve the structural integrity of Bureau of Reclamation dams across the U.S., and provide flexibility in reservoir storage for flood control during low risk times of the year.

Introduction Date: 2019-10-11

Bill Number	Last Action	Status	FN Outlook
HR 4891	Subcommittee On Water Oceans And Wildlife Discharged 2020 03 11	In House	24.5% 90.2%

Title
Western Water Security Act of 2019

Primary Sponsors
Xochitl Torres Small

Bill Summary: This bill would give an additional \$120 million to the Bureau of Reclamation's WaterSMART program; authorize an additional \$65 million to support desalination design and construction, setting aside \$15 million for rural desalination projects; and authorizes the Cooperative Watershed Management Program.

Introduction Date: 2019-10-28

Bill Number	Last Action	Status	FN Outlook
HR 5217	Referred To The Subcommittee On Conservation And Forestry 2019 12 11	In House	7.8% 76.3%

Title
WOW Act

Primary Sponsors
Tom McClintock

Bill Summary: The bill streamlines water districts' contact renewals, expedites water transfers and gives the Secretary of the Interior discretion to modify dam operations in the Central Valley Project to provide reasonable water flows of suitable quality, quantity, and timing to protect migrating fish.

Introduction Date: 2019-11-21

Bill Number	Last Action	Status	FN Outlook
HR 5316	Committee Consideration And Mark Up Session Held 2020 02 12	In House	7.7% 88.9%

Title
Move Water Now Act

Primary Sponsors
TJ Cox

Bill Summary: This legislation aims to address the severely limited capacity of the Friant-Kern Canal in California's San Joaquin Valley, issues caused by severe land subsidence over the past 7 decades.

Introduction Date: 2019-12-05

Bill Number
HR 7073

Last Action
Referred To The Committee On Oversight And Reform And In Addition To The Committee On Financial Services 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 2020 06 01

Status
In House

FN Outlook
9.3% 89.0%

Title

To amend the Social Security Act to include special districts in the coronavirus relief fund, to direct the Secretary to include special districts as an eligible issuer under the Municipal Liquidity Facility, and for other purposes.

Bill Summary: This bill would amend the Social Security Act to include special districts in the coronavirus relief fund, to direct the Secretary to include special districts as an eligible issuer under the Municipal Liquidity Facility, and for other purposes.

Introduction Date: 2020-06-01

Primary Sponsors

John Garamendi

Bill Number
S 334

Last Action
Committee On Energy And Natural Resources Reported By Senator Murkowski Without Amendment With Written Report No 116 133 2019 10 22

Status
In Senate

FN Outlook
59.1% 83.9%

Title

Clean Water for Rural Communities Act

Bill Summary: This is the companion bill to H.R. 976, a bill to authorize the construction of the Musselshell-Judith Rural Water System and study of the Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority System in the States of Montana and North Dakota.

Introduction Date: 2019-02-05

Primary Sponsors

Steve Daines

Bill Number
S 1570

Last Action
Placed On Senate Legislative Calendar Under General Orders Calendar No 276 2019 10 29

Status
In Senate

FN Outlook
2.2% 78.7%

Title

Aquifer Recharge Flexibility Act

Bill Summary: The legislation aims to improve aquifer levels in Idaho and across western states by expanding the ability for aquifer recharge through federal lands and facilities. The bill will fortify efforts to recharge Idaho's vast Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer to healthy levels for sustainable long-term use by the state's farmers, ranchers, and communities. This bill would let the commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation allow the use of excess capacity in Bureau conveyance facilities for carriage of non-Reclamation project water for aquifer recharge. Some restrictions would still apply in the bill, such as that water or power service contracts for bureau projects and existing obligations to fish, wildlife or water quality protection aren't affected.

Introduction Date: 2019-05-21

Primary Sponsors

Jim Risch

Bill Number
S 1604

Last Action
Introduced In Senate 2019 05 22

Status
In Senate

FN Outlook
26.0% 82.9%

Title
Local Water Protection Act

Primary Sponsors
Amy Klobuchar

Bill Summary: The bill would reauthorize an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) grant program that provides funds for states to develop and implement programs for managing nonpoint source water pollution, or pollution from diffuse sources including runoff from farms, managed forests, and urban areas. The Act would reauthorize \$200 million annually for the voluntary grant fund to give local and state governments, the flexibility to make conservation improvements aimed at decreasing water pollutants through partnerships with their communities. The legislation authorizes the EPA's Section 319 Grant Program and doubles funds for Section 319 from \$70 million to \$200 million for FYs 2020-2014.

Introduction Date: 2019-05-22

Bill Number
S 1751

Last Action
Committee On Energy And Natural Resources
Reported By Senator Murkowski With An
Amendment With Written Report No 116 140
2019 10 23

Status
In Senate

FN Outlook
3.6% 87.8%

Title
Bureau of Reclamation Pumped Storage Hydropower Development Act

Primary Sponsors
Maria Cantwell

Bill Summary: This bill amends the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 to authorize pumped storage hydropower development utilizing multiple Bureau of Reclamation reservoirs.

Introduction Date: 2019-06-05

Bill Number
S 1811

Last Action
Referred To The Subcommittee On Water
Oceans And Wildlife 2019 07 15

Status
In House

FN Outlook
23.0% 48.8%

Title
A bill to make technical corrections to the America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018, and for other purposes.

Primary Sponsors
John Barrasso

Bill Summary: This bill makes technical corrections to the America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018. This legislation also includes provisions and technical corrections to the Klamath Basin Water Supply Enhancement Act of 2000, which include conservation and efficiency measures, land idling, and use of groundwater as eligible programs.

Introduction Date: 2019-06-12

Bill Number
S 1932

Last Action
Committee On Energy And Natural Resources
Senate Subcommittee On Water And Power
Hearings Held 2019 07 18

Status
In Senate

FN Outlook
3.5% 86.2%

Title
Drought Resiliency and Water Supply Infrastructure Act

Primary Sponsors
Cory Gardner

Bill Summary: This bill would support water infrastructure in the nation's Reclamation states, as well as extend federal funding an additional five years, including \$670 million in surface and groundwater storage projects; \$100 million for water recycling projects; and \$60 million for desalination projects. The bill would also establish a new loan program for water agencies designed to spur investment in new water supply projects. Key provisions include but are not limited to expanding and updating the Bureau of Reclamation funding authorizations in the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (WIIN) to fund portions of federal (50%) and non-federal (25%) surface and groundwater storage and conveyance facilities, as well as cost share (25%) additional water reuse and recycling and desalination projects; and creating a new loan program at 30-year Treasury rates for water supply projects under what would be established under the Reclamation Infrastructure Financing and Innovation Act (RIFIA). These loans would use criteria (49% maximum loan) modeled after the well-established Water Infrastructure Financing and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The legislation would also authorize \$140 million for restoration and environmental compliance projects, including forest, meadow and watershed restoration projects with water benefits and projects to help restore threatened and endangered species affected by Reclamation water projects.

Introduction Date: 2019-06-20

Bill Number
S 2044

Last Action
Committee On Energy And Natural Resources
Reported By Senator Murkowski With An
Amendment In The Nature Of A Substitute
With Written Report No 116 156 2019 10 29

Status
In Senate

FN Outlook
4.0% 81.0%

Title
Water Supply Infrastructure Rehabilitation and Utilization Act

Primary Sponsors
Martha McSally

Bill Summary: This bill would amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to establish an Aging Infrastructure Account. Specifically, this bill could provide Congress with the unfunded need for these improvements in a timely manner through a streamlined process, allowing Congress to provide Reclamation these additional funds "upfront" to initiate extraordinary maintenance projects on federal facilities, with extended repayment for the non-federal operating entities through a clearly defined application and review process already in law. The bill would also raise the Reclamation Safety of Dams program authorization by \$550 million and create a Flood Control Manual and Reservoirs Operations Pilot Program, which would give operators of Reclamation reservoirs more flexibility to temporarily store water in dedicated flood control space during certain low-risk times of the year.

Introduction Date: 2019-06-27

Bill Number
S 2456

Last Action
Introduced In Senate 2019 09 10

Status
In Senate

FN Outlook
3.3% 87.9%

Title
Clean Water Through Green Infrastructure Act

Primary Sponsors
Tom Udall

Bill Summary: This bill will establish up to five Centers of Excellence, through a competitive process, to promote green stormwater infrastructure. The Centers will conduct research on stormwater control infrastructure, establish industry standards for stormwater management, and develop testing protocols to measure the success of different products and practices.

Introduction Date: 2019-09-10

Bill Number
S 2466

Last Action
Introduced In Senate 2019 09 11

Status
In Senate

FN Outlook
4.2% 79.7%

Title
Water Justice Act

Primary Sponsors
Kamala Harris

Bill Summary: This bill takes a comprehensive approach to addressing water issues throughout the U.S. and pays particular attention to the water needs of historically at-risk communities and individuals. Provisions include investing \$220 billion in clean and safe drinking water initiatives, establishing a \$10 billion program to allow states to offset the cost of water bills in low-income communities and households that are environmentally at-risk, and invests \$20 billion in a diverse range of sustainable water supply, recycling, and conservation programs.

Introduction Date: 2019-09-11

Bill Number
S 2636

Last Action
Read Twice And Referred To The Committee
On Environment And Public Works 2019 10 17

Status
In Senate

FN Outlook
3.2% 86.5%

Title
Clean Water Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainability Act

Primary Sponsors
Ben Cardin

Bill Summary: This bill includes \$5,000,000 for FY 2020-2024 to create a federal program administered by the EPA to help communities strengthen the resiliency of their publicly owned treatment works against the threats of natural hazards. The measure also reauthorizes the Expanded Drinking Water Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainability competitive grant program at \$5,000,000 for FY 2020-2024, to increase resiliency or sustainability such as water conservation, water use efficiency, watershed protection, and modification or relocation.

Introduction Date: 2019-10-17

Bill Number
S 2674

Last Action
Introduced In Senate 2019 10 23

Status
In Senate

FN Outlook
4.3% 87.0%

Title
Assuring Quality Water Infrastructure Act

Primary Sponsors
Shelley Capito

Bill Summary: This bill directs the EPA Administrator to establish a program to provide grants to units of local government, as well as nonprofit entities that own or operate a public water system, and authorizes \$5 million annually for FY 2021 through 2025.

Introduction Date: 2019-10-23

Bill Number	Last Action	Status	FN Outlook
S 2718	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On Energy And Natural Resources 2019 10 28	In Senate	2.6% 85.4%

Title
Western Water Security Act of 2019

Primary Sponsors
Tom Udall

Bill Summary: This bill would give an additional \$120 million to the Bureau of Reclamation's WaterSMART Program; expand the authority of States and Indian tribes to declare a drought emergency and access vital drought emergency funds; reauthorizes the Cooperative Watershed Management Program; and creates a pilot water leasing program that provides the Bureau of Reclamation and local water districts with increased flexibility to move water where it can be of the most use.

Introduction Date: 2019-10-28

Bill Number	Last Action	Status	FN Outlook
S 3590	Placed On Senate Legislative Calendar Under General Orders Calendar No 452 2020 05 11	In Senate	4.4% 85.3%

Title
Drinking Water Infrastructure Act of 2020

Primary Sponsors
John Barrasso

Bill Summary: This bill reauthorizes Safe Drinking Water Act programs that support drinking water infrastructure and provide resources and technical assistance to communities facing critical drinking water needs.

Introduction Date: 2020-05-04

Bill Number	Last Action	Status	FN Outlook
S 3591	S Amdt 1593 Senate Amendment Submitted 2020 06 08	In Senate	5.6% 84.2%

Title
America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2020

Primary Sponsors
John Barrasso

Bill Summary: This bill provides roughly \$17 billion in new federal authorizations to invest in our infrastructure for projects across the country.

Introduction Date: 2020-05-04

Bill Number	Last Action	Status	FN Outlook
S 3684	Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On Appropriations 2020 05 11	In Senate	4.2% 85.8%

Title
21st Century Conservation Corps for Our Health and Our Jobs Act

Primary Sponsors
Ron Wyden

Bill Summary: This bill would bolster wildfire prevention and preparedness to protect the health and safety of communities during the unparalleled combination of threats posed by wildfire season and the COVID-19 pandemic. The legislation also would provide relief and job creation measures that equip rural economies to respond to the unique threats they're facing during this public health and economic crisis.

Introduction Date: 2020-05-11

