

# Union Calendar No. 587

119<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 3922

**[Report No. 119–673, Part I]**

To direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on existing programs, rules, and authorities that enable or inhibit wildfire mitigation across land ownership boundaries on Federal and non-Federal land, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 11, 2025

Mr. NEGUSE (for himself, Mrs. KIM, Mr. HARDER of California, and Mr. OBERNOLTE) introduced the following bill; which was 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

JUNE 2, 2026

Additional sponsors: Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. WHITESIDES, and Mr. KENNEDY of Utah

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Reported from the Committee on Natural Resources with an amendment  
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Committee on Agriculture discharged; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on June 11, 2025]

# **A BILL**

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1        *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4        *This Act may be cited as the “Cross-Boundary Wild-*  
5 *fire Solutions Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7        *In this Act:*

8            (1) *COVERED AGENCY.*—*The term “covered agen-*  
9 *cy” means—*

10                    (A) *each Federal land management agency*  
11 *(as defined in section 802 of the Federal Lands*  
12 *Recreation Enhancement Act (16 U.S.C. 6801));*

13                    (B) *the Natural Resources Conservation*  
14 *Service;*

15                    (C) *the Environmental Protection Agency;*

16                    (D) *the Federal Emergency Management*  
17 *Agency;*

18                    (E) *the United States Fire Administration;*

19                    (F) *States;*

20                    (G) *Indian Tribes; and*

21                    (H) *local governments.*

22            (2) *COVERED AUTHORITY.*—*The term “covered*  
23 *authority” means—*

24                    (A) *the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of*  
25 *2003 (16 U.S.C. 6501 et seq.);*

1           (B) *the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act*  
2           *of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2101 et seq.);*

3           (C) *the good neighbor authority under sec-*  
4           *tion 8206 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (16*  
5           *U.S.C. 2113a);*

6           (D) *the Tribal Forest Protection Act of 2004*  
7           *(25 U.S.C. 3101 et seq.);*

8           (E) *the collaborative forest landscape res-*  
9           *toration program under section 4003 of the Om-*  
10           *nibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 (16*  
11           *U.S.C. 7303); and*

12           (F) *any other statutory authority that fa-*  
13           *cilitates cross-boundary wildfire mitigation or*  
14           *forest health improvement activities, as deter-*  
15           *mined by the Comptroller General of the United*  
16           *States.*

17 **SEC. 3. STUDY ON WILDFIRE MITIGATION ACROSS LAND**  
18           **OWNERSHIP BOUNDARIES.**

19           (a) *STUDY REQUIRED.*—*The Comptroller General of*  
20           *the United States shall conduct a study on—*

21           (1) *the existing Federal programs, rules, and au-*  
22           *thorities that enable or inhibit wildfire mitigation*  
23           *from being completed across land ownership bound-*  
24           *aries on Federal and non-Federal land;*

1           (2) *whether changes to any program, rule, or au-*  
2 *thority (including changes to existing statutory defi-*  
3 *nitions) identified pursuant to paragraph (1)*  
4 *would—*

5                   (A) *allow a covered agency increased capac-*  
6 *ity or access to funding to mitigate wildfires or*  
7 *improve forest health; and*

8                   (B) *enable better community protection and*  
9 *prevent the loss of structures due to wildfire; and*

10           (3) *the activities carried out pursuant to a cov-*  
11 *ered authority, including—*

12                   (A) *how to improve the efficacy of such ac-*  
13 *tivities with respect to mitigating wildfire; and*

14                   (B) *whether the enactment of such covered*  
15 *authority has increased capacity or access to*  
16 *funding to mitigate wildfires for a covered agen-*  
17 *cy.*

18           (b) *REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date*  
19 *of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the*  
20 *United States shall submit to the Committee on Natural*  
21 *Resources and the Committee on Agriculture of the House*  
22 *of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Nat-*  
23 *ural Resources and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutri-*  
24 *tion, and Forestry of the Senate a report that contains—*

1           (1) *the results of the study required under sub-*  
2           *section (a); and*

3           (2) *recommendations to simplify cross-boundary*  
4           *wildfire mitigation between Federal land manage-*  
5           *ment agencies and State, local, and Tribal govern-*  
6           *ments.*



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