

# Legislative Tracker

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#### Overview

The following legislative tracker provides the status of legislation introduced in the 116th Congress of interest to the RWA. 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

## RWA (29)

Bill Number HR 59

Referred To The Subcommittee On Water Oceans And Wildlife 2021 02 18

Status

In House

Title

Strengthening Fishing Communities and Increasing Flexibility in Fisheries Management Act

**Primary Sponsors** 

Don Young

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Feb 12, 2021, 5:50 PM This bill amends the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to provide flexibility for fishery managers and stability for fishermen.

Introduction Date: 2021-01-04

Bill Number HR 74

Referred To The Subcommittee On Economic

**Development Public Buildings And Emergency** 

Management 2021 02 04

In House

Title

Protecting Local Communities from Harmful Algal Blooms Act

**Primary Sponsors** 

Vern Buchanan

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Feb 12, 2021, 5:56 PM This bill amends the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to include algal blooms in the definition of a major disaster.

Bill Number HR 535 Last Action

Status

In House

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 2021 01 28

Title

Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act

**Primary Sponsors** John Garamendi

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Feb 22, 2021, 11:36 PM This bill would make special districts eligible for direct federal financial assistance in the future, along with state, county, and local governments that are also subject to the same oversight requirements. The legislation would also provide special districts access to the Federal Reserve's Municipal Liquidity Facility, which provides states, counties, and cities federally guaranteed bridge financing to offset unexpected short-term revenue shortfalls caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Introduction Date: 2021-01-28

Bill Number HR 616 Last Action

Referred To The Subcommittee On

Environment And Climate Change 2021 02 02

Status

In House



Title

Emergency Water is a Human Right Act

**Primary Sponsors** 

Rashida Tlaib

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Feb 16, 2021, 6:11 PM This bill prohibits water shutoffs during the COVID-19 emergency period, and provides drinking and waste water assistance to households.

Introduction Date: 2021-01-28

Bill Number HR 737

Referred To The Subcommittee On Water Oceans And Wildlife 2021 02 23

In House



Title

**RENEW WIIN Act** 

**Primary Sponsors** 

David Valadao

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Feb 5, 2021, 5:10 PM This bill extends the authorities under the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016 (WIIN Act) providing operational flexibility, drought relief, and other benefits to the State of California.

Introduction Date: 2021-02-02

Bill Number HR 866 Last Action

Referred To The Subcommittee On Water

Oceans And Wildlife 2021 03 03

Status

In House



Title FISH Act

**Primary Sponsors** 

Ken Calvert

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Feb 18, 2021, 6:34 PM This bill amends the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to vest in the Secretary of the Interior functions under that Act with respect to species of fish that spawn in fresh or estuarine waters and migrate to ocean waters, and species of fish that spawn in ocean waters and migrate to fresh waters.

Bill Number HR 895 Last Action

Referred To The Subcommittee On Commodity Exchanges Energy And Credit 2021

03 03

Title

Emergency Assistance for Rural Water Systems Act of 2021

**Primary Sponsors** 

David Rouzer

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at May 7, 2021, 3:56 PM This bill allows, and provides funds for, the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to provide grants and loans, as well as loan forgiveness, modification, and refinancing, to rural water, wastewater, or waste disposal facilities. Specifically, USDA may provide such assistance for purposes of ensuring public health, safety, and order and to address financial hardships, in particular those due to the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) public health emergency.

Introduction Date: 2021-02-05

Bill Number

Status

Status

In House

HR 1015 Introduced In House 2021 02 11 In House



Title

Water Recycling Investment and Improvement Act

**Primary Sponsors** 

Grace Napolitano

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Mar 25, 2021, 7:44 PM This bill makes permanent, and otherwise revises, the Bureau of Reclamation's grant program for the funding of water recycling and reuse projects. Specifically, the bill removes priority under the program for projects in areas that, in the preceding four-year period, have been (1) identified as experiencing severe, extreme, or exceptional drought; or (2) designated as a disaster area by a state. Additionally, the bill increases through FY2025 the authorization of appropriations for the program and otherwise revises provisions related to program funding.

Introduction Date: 2021-02-11

Bill Number HR 1291 Last Action

Status

In House

Referred To The Subcommittee On Commodity Exchanges Energy And Credit 2021

03 29

Title

Reinforcing Utility Restoration After Losses (RURAL) Act

**Primary Sponsors** 

Rick Crawford

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at May 21, 2021, 4:18 PM This bill provides authority and funding for the Department of Agriculture to establish a loan program for certain rural utility service providers (e.g., electric, telecommunications, or waste disposal service providers) to replace specified losses during a federally declared disaster or emergency. During such a disaster or emergency, interest on the loan shall not accrue, and repayment of principal shall not be required. Borrowers may qualify for partial loan forgiveness if certain requirements are met.

Bill Number HR 1352

Last Action

Referred To The Subcommittee On Conservation And Forestry 2021 04 05 Status
In House



Title

Water Affordability, Transparency, Equity, and Reliability Act of

Primary Sponsors
Brenda Lawrence

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Jun 4, 2021, 5:48 PM This bill increases funding for water infrastructure, including funding for several programs related to controlling water pollution or protecting drinking water. Specifically, it establishes a Water Affordability, Transparency, Equity, and Reliability Trust Fund. The bill increases the corporate income tax rate to 24.5% to provide revenues for the fund. In addition, the bill revises requirements concerning the clean water state revolving fund (SRF) and the drinking water SRF. It also creates or reauthorizes several grant programs for water infrastructure.

Introduction Date: 2021-02-25

Bill Number

HR 1563

Last Action

Referred To The Committee On Natural Resources And In Addition To The Committee On Science Space And Technology 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 2021 03 03

Status

In House



Title

To extend the authorities under the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016 providing operational flexibility, drought relief, and other benefits to the State of California.

**Primary Sponsors** 

Mike Garcia

**Bill Summary:** Last edited by TFG Reports at Mar 5, 2021, 4:41 PM This bill extends the authorities under the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016 providing operational flexibility, drought relief, and other benefits to the State of California.

Introduction Date: 2021-03-03

Bill Number

HR 1660

ast Action

Referred To The Subcommittee On Water Resources And Environment 2021 03 09 Status

In House



Title

Stop Sewage Overflow Act

**Primary Sponsors** 

Lori Trahan

**Bill Summary:** Last edited by TFG Reports at Mar 15, 2021, 3:05 PM This bill makes certain municipalities eligible for grants under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, and for other purposes.

Bill Number

HR 1848

Last Action

Referred To The Committee On Energy And

Commerce And In Addition To The **Committees On Transportation And** 

Infrastructure Natural Resources Science Space And Technology Ways And Means **Education And Labor Agriculture And** 

Oversight And Reform 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 2021 03 11

Status

In House



Title

LIFT America Act

**Primary Sponsors** Frank Pallone

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Mar 17, 2021, 3:37 AM The Leading Infrastructure For Tomorrow's America (LIFT) Act would modernize the nation's infrastructure, rebuild the economy, combat climate change, and protect public health and the environment. The legislation invests more than \$312 billion in clean energy, energy efficiency, drinking water, broadband, and health care infrastructure.

Introduction Date: 2021-03-11

Bill Number

HR 1881

Last Action

Referred To The Subcommittee On Water Resources And Environment 2021 03 15

Status

In House



Title

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act with respect to permitting terms, and for other purposes.

**Primary Sponsors** 

John Garamendi

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Mar 15, 2021, 3:14 PM This bill amends the Federal Water Pollution Control Act with respect to permitting terms.

Introduction Date: 2021-03-12

Bill Number

HR 1915

Last Action

Subcommittee On Water Resources And Environment Discharged 2021 06 09

Status

In House



Title

Water Quality Protection and Job Creation Act of 2021

**Primary Sponsors** Peter DeFazio

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Mar 18, 2021, 4:50 PM This bill amends the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize certain water pollution control programs, and for other purposes.

Bill Number HR 2008 Last Action

Placed On The Union Calendar Calendar No 28

2021 05 28

In House

Status

Title

Local Water Protection Act

**Primary Sponsors** 

**Angie Craig** 

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at May 7, 2021, 3:49 PM This bill reauthorizes through FY2026 grants to states for (1) programs that manage and control nonpoint source pollution (e.g., runoff from a variety of sources) added to navigable waters, and (2) groundwater quality protection activities to advance state implementation of such programs.

Introduction Date: 2021-03-18

Bill Number

Last Action

Status

HR 2173

Referred To The Subcommittee On Water Resources And Environment 2021 03 24

In House

Title

Wastewater Workforce Investment Act

**Primary Sponsors** 

**Greg Stanton** 

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Apr 2, 2021, 6:28 PM This bill amends the Federal Water Pollution Control Act with respect to wastewater infrastructure workforce development, and for other purposes.

Introduction Date: 2021-03-23

Bill Number

Status

In House

HR 2197

Referred To The Subcommittee On Highways

And Transit 2021 03 29

Title

**IMAGINE Act** 

**Primary Sponsors** 

David Cicilline

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Mar 29, 2021, 5:54 PM This bill encourages the research and use of innovative materials and associated techniques in the construction and preservation of the domestic transportation and water infrastructure system, and for other purposes.

Introduction Date: 2021-03-26

Bill Number

Status

HR 2241

Introduced In House 2021 03 26

In House



Title

Civilian Climate Corps Act of 2021

**Primary Sponsors** 

Joe Neguse

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Apr 15, 2021, 1:30 PM This bill directs the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a Civilian Climate Corps, and for other purposes.

Bill Number HR 2979

Last Action

Referred To The Subcommittee On Water Resources And Environment 2021 05 05 Status
In House



### Title

To amend the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 with respect to the final maturity date of certain loans, and for other purposes.

**Primary Sponsors** 

John Garamendi

**Bill Summary:** Last edited by TFG Reports at May 18, 2021, 9:39 PM This bill amends the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 with respect to the final maturity date of certain loans, and for other purposes.

Introduction Date: 2021-05-04

Bill Number

Last Action

H 2345 2021 05 14

Status

HR 3023

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In House

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Title

To amend the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 with respect to budgetary treatment of certain amounts of financial assistance, and for other purposes.

**Primary Sponsors** 

Jim Costa

**Bill Summary:** Last edited by TFG Reports at May 13, 2021, 1:45 PM This bill amends the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 with respect to budgetary treatment of certain amounts of financial assistance, and for other purposes.

Introduction Date: 2021-05-07

Bill Number

HR 3404

ast Action

Referred To The Subcommittee On Water Resources And Environment 2021 05 21 Status

In House

FN Outlook

Title

To provide drought preparedness and improved water supply reliability to the Nation.

Primary Sponsors

Jared Huffman

**Bill Summary:** Last edited by TFG Reports at Jun 4, 2021, 5:42 PM This bill includes major investments to provide drought preparedness and improve water supply reliability to the Nation. It also includes provisions for ecosystem restoration and protection, water job training and education, improved technology and data, and infrastructure development.

Introduction Date: 2021-05-20

Bill Number

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Status

S 29

Read Twice And Referred To The Committee
On Environment And Public Works 2021 01 22

In Senate

FN Outlook
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Title

Local Water Protection Act

Primary Sponsors

Amy Klobuchar

**Bill Summary:** Last edited by TFG Reports at May 7, 2021, 3:49 PM This bill reauthorizes through FY2025 programs within the Environmental Protection Agency that award grants to states for managing nonpoint source water pollution or protecting groundwater quality. Water pollution from nonpoint sources is caused by precipitation picking up pollution as it moves over or through the ground.

Bill Number S 91

Last Action

On Finance 2021 01 28

Status

In Senate

Title

Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act

**Primary Sponsors** Kyrsten Sinema

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Feb 22, 2021, 11:36 PM This bill would make special districts eligible for direct federal financial assistance in the future, along with state, county, and local governments that are also subject to the same oversight requirements. The legislation would also provide special districts access to the Federal Reserve's Municipal Liquidity Facility, which provides states, counties, and cities federally guaranteed bridge financing to offset unexpected short-term revenue shortfalls caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Introduction Date: 2021-01-28

Bill Number

Last Action

Status

S 209

Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On Agriculture Nutrition And Forestry 2021 02

Read Twice And Referred To The Committee

In Senate

03

Title

Emergency Assistance for Rural Water Systems Act of 2021

**Primary Sponsors** 

Jeanne Shaheen

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Feb 5, 2021, 5:09 PM This bill provides assistance for rural water, wastewater, and waste disposal systems affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes.

Introduction Date: 2021-02-03

Bill Number S 722

Last Action

Status

Introduced In Senate 2021 03 11

In Senate

Title

Wastewater Efficiency and Treatment Act of 2021

**Primary Sponsors** Jeff Merkley

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at May 7, 2021, 3:51 PM This bill amends the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to establish a program to provide grants and loan guarantees to improve the energy efficiency of publicly owned wastewater treatment facilities, and for other purposes.

Introduction Date: 2021-03-11

Bill Number S 914

Status

By Senator Carper From Committee On **Environment And Public Works Filed Written** 

Report Report No 117 20 2021 05 10

In House

Title

Drinking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Act of 2021

**Primary Sponsors** Tammy Duckworth Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at May 7, 2021, 3:32 PM This bill amends the Safe Drinking Water Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize programs under those Acts. Specifically, it supports programs to provide safe drinking water or treat wastewater, such as sewer overflows or stormwater.

Bill Number S 939

Last Action

Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On Environment And Public Works 2021 03 24

Status In Senate

Title

**IMAGINE** Act

**Primary Sponsors** Sheldon Whitehouse Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Mar 25, 2021, 7:41 PM This bill encourages the research and use of innovative materials and associated techniques in the construction and preservation of the domestic transportation and water infrastructure system, and for other purposes.

Introduction Date: 2021-03-24

Bill Number

Last Action

Status

S 1057

Read Twice And Referred To The Committee On Health Education Labor And Pensions 2021

In Senate

03 25

Title

Civilian Climate Corps Act of 2021

**Primary Sponsors** 

Chris Coons

Bill Summary: Last edited by TFG Reports at Apr 15, 2021, 1:29 PM This bill directs the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a Civilian Climate Corps, and for other purposes.

Introduction Date: 2021-03-25

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