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Recommendation for Support Position – July 10, 2024 Legislative Committee



S. 4628 (Kelly D-AZ) Enhancing Mitigation and Building Effective Resilience (EMBER) Act

- Eases the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) cost sharing requirements for wildfire planning and recovery projects.
- Expands targeted grazing by providing nonrenewable and temporary grazing permits.
- Aligns with advocacy goal of Wildfire Resilience.

H.R. 7936 (Tonko D-NY) Cultural Resources Challenge Act

- Requires the National Park Service (NPS) to update guidance on cultural resources research and engagement, advance resource preservation and interpretation, provide technical assistance, and encourage interdisciplinary work and skills sharing.
- Establishes a competitive NPS grant program focused on the resiliency and accessibility of cultural resources, for which the Park District would be eligible.
- Aligns with the overarching principle of inclusive interpretation and educational opportunities.





H.R. 8656 (Harder D-CA) Modernizing Wildfire Safety and Prevention Act of 2024

- Increases accessibility of Federal grants for wildfire reduction and recovery efforts.
- Creates a grant program providing \$10 million per year for ten years for higher education and vocational programs to train the workforce in wildfire mitigation, response and recovery.
- Aligns with the advocacy goals of wildfire resilience and green jobs.



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