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Recommendation for Support Position – September 30, 2024 Legislative Committee



S. 4277 (Warren D-MA) H.R. 8253 (Garcia D-CA)

Better Utilizing Investments
to Leverage Development
and Generating Renewable
Energy to Electrify the
Nation's (BUILD GREEN)
Infrastructure and Jobs Act

- Aligns with the advocacy goal of climate friendly transportation.
- Modeled after the Department of Transportation's (DoT) successful BUILD grant program for electrifying public transportation modes, greening fleet vehicles and projects which clearly demonstrate "a contribution to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and toxic emissions." E-bike share programs are also eligible.
- "A unit of local government" is eligible to apply for grants. This legislation would expand opportunities for the Park District to seek grant funding for active transportation trail projects and purchasing electric fleet vehicles.



S. 4900 (Butler D-CA) Investing in Community Resilience Act

- Aligns with the advocacy goals of sea-level rise preparedness and wildfire resilience.
- Allows recipients to invest in disaster preparedness, including, but not limited to, proactively positioning resources, mapping local vulnerabilities and creating emergency plans.
- Would require FEMA to issue guidance no later than 18 months after the date of enactment of the Act.

H.R. 6492
(Westerman R-AR)
Expanding Public
Lands Outdoor
Recreation
Experiences
(EXPLORE) Act

- Aligns with the advocacy goal of community health.
- Would simplify management and administrative processes to increase and improve opportunities for outdoor recreation and make the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) program permanent.
- Encompasses the Recreation Not Red Tape Act, the Federal Interagency Council on Outdoor Recreation and the Biking on Long Distance Trails Act.





H.R. 9150 (Harder D-CA) Keeping Families Safe from Wildfire Smoke Act

- Aligns with the advocacy goal of community health.
- Would add wildfire smoke to the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) list of disaster events which would make Federal resources for air purification equipment, masks, medical and other resources available if wildfire smoke creates a major health threat.



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