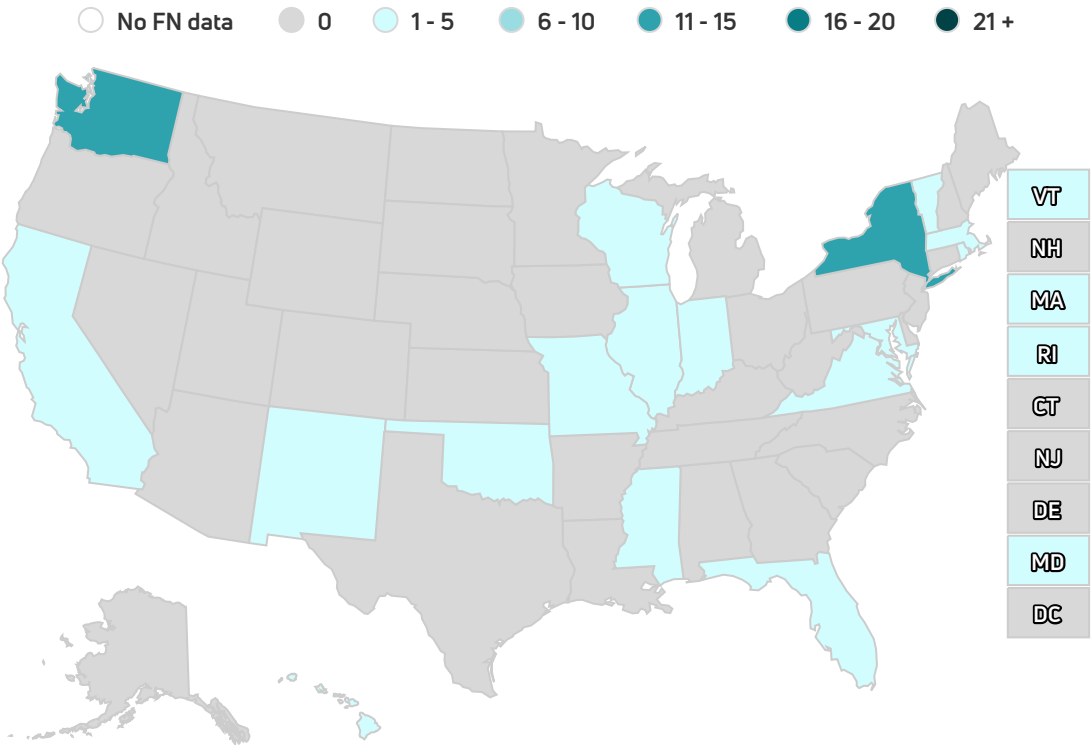




# Climate Change: State Legislation

## US Policy Map

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Climate Change Bills

53 Bills

## VA HB 529

**Title:** Trees; conservation and replacement during development process.

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-08

**Last Action Date:** House: VOTE: Passage (53-Y 44-N). 2024-02-08

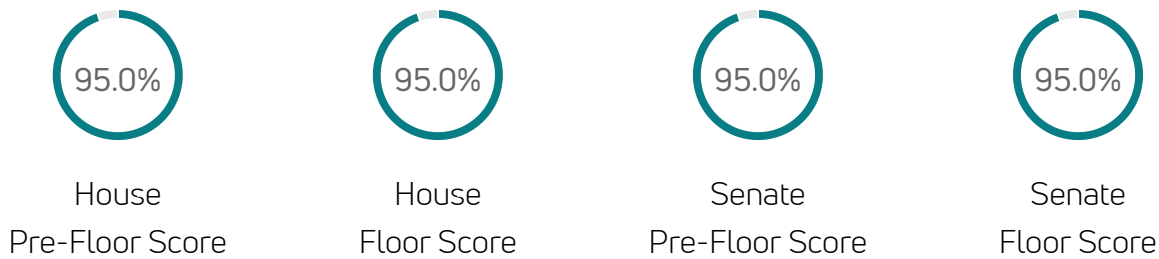
**Summary:** Expands existing local government authority to conserve or replace trees during the development process by allowing localities to establish higher tree canopy replacement percentages, based on density per acre, lot size, or any other measurement relevant to the practices of the locality to achieve MS4 stormwater nutrient reductions, mitigate urban heat

islands, increase resilience to climate change, including reducing coastal and inland flooding, and mitigate air pollution.

**Description:** Conservation and replacement of trees during development process. Expands existing local government authority to conserve or replace trees during the development process by allowing localities to establish higher tree canopy replacement percentages, based on density per acre, lot size, or any other measurement relevant to the practices of the locality to achieve MS4 stormwater nutrient reductions, mitigate urban heat islands, increase resilience to climate change, including reducing coastal and inland flooding, and mitigate air pollution. The bill also alters the current process for granting exceptions to a local ordinance by removing a provision that requires the granting of an exception when strict application of the ordinance would result in unnecessary or unreasonable hardship to the developer and replacing it with a determination by the locality that the strict application would be unreasonable in a specific instance. The bill makes numerous technical amendments.

**Location:** US-VA

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**WA HB 2201**

**Title:** Facilitating linkage of Washington's carbon market with the California-Quebec carbon market.

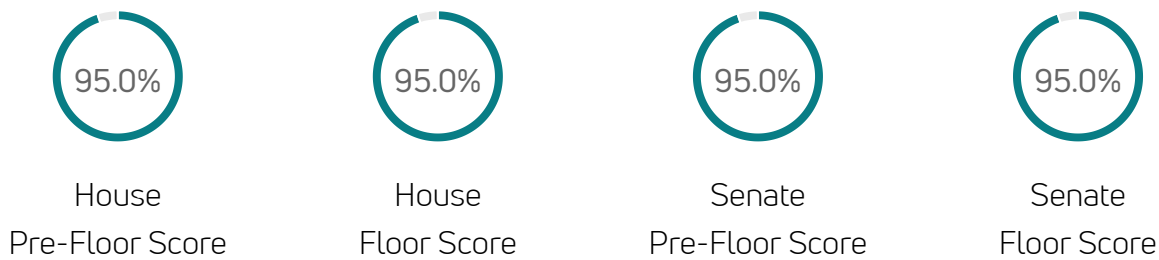
**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-09

**Last Action Date:** Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.. 2024-02-08

**Location:** US-WA

**Floor Forecast Scores**



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## VA SB 508

**Title:** Renewable energy portfolio standard; geothermal heating and cooling systems.

**Current Status:** In Senate

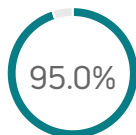
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-09

**Last Action Date:** Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (10-Y 5-N). 2024-02-08

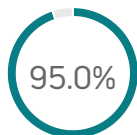
**Description:** Renewable energy portfolio standard; geothermal heating and cooling systems; Strategic Energy Investment Fund and Program established; Geothermal Energy Work Group established; reports. Provides that geothermal heating and cooling systems, as defined in the bill, located in the Commonwealth are eligible for compliance with renewable energy portfolio standard (RPS) requirements. The bill requires that certain percentages of the RPS requirements be derived from post-2019 geothermal heating and cooling systems, as defined in the bill, in accordance with the schedule prescribed in the bill. The bill also requires that at least 25 percent of the required RPS required percentages be derived from post-2019 geothermal systems in historically economically disadvantaged communities and includes information for the State Corporation Commission to use in calculating the amount of renewable energy credits attributable to geothermal heating and cooling systems.

**Location:** US-VA

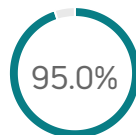
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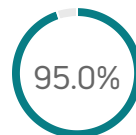
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## MA H 904

**Title:** An Act relative to increased protection of wildlife management areas

**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2023-02-16

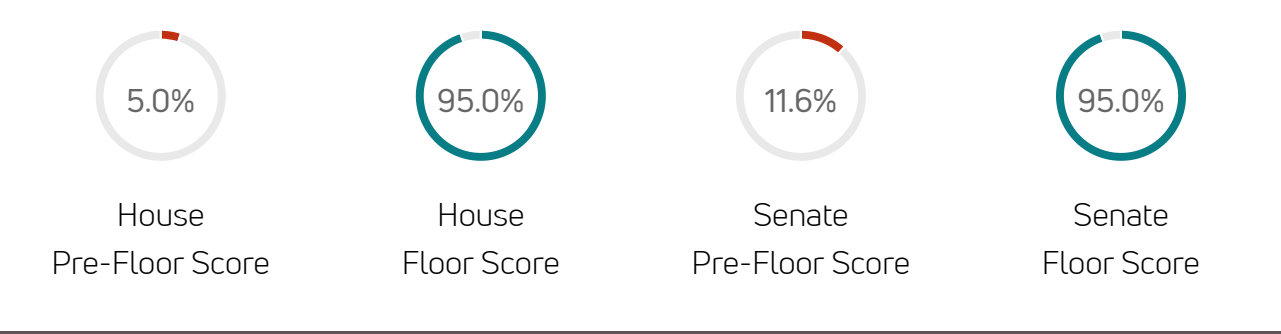
**Last Action Date:** Reporting date extended to Friday April 12, 2024, pending concurrence. 2024-02-08

**Summary:** Summary: Establishes a Wildlife Management Area Nature Reserves Council, which aims to permanently preserve a minimum of 30% of all Wildlife Management Area lands. Opportunity: LAs can serve on the council. LA projects will be in high demand to reach and maintain this conservation goal.

**Description:** By Representative Sena of Acton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 904) of Danillo A. Sena and others relative to wildlife management areas. Environment and Natural Resources.

Location: US-MA

Floor Forecast Scores



IL SB 2781

**Title:** Forests-Wetlands-Prairies

**Current Status:** In Senate

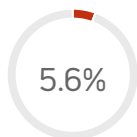
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-17

**Last Action Date:** Postponed - Environment and Conservation. 2024-02-08

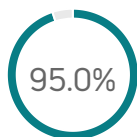
**Description:** Creates the Forests, Wetlands, and Prairies Act. Provides that the Department of Natural Resources shall prepare and maintain a comprehensive Forests, Wetlands, and Prairies Grant plan for the preservation and enhancement of forests, prairies, and wetlands in Illinois. Provides that the Department of Natural Resources, pursuant to the comprehensive plan and subject to appropriation, shall establish and administer a Forests, Wetlands, and Prairies Grant Program to restore degraded forest lands and native prairies, and to promote the growth of native vegetation that remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and help to mitigate the impact of climate change. Provides that units of local government are eligible to submit a grant proposal in a format and at a time prescribed by the Department of Natural Resources. Provides that grants may be used by units of local government to fund: (1) local projects restoring or expanding forests, wetlands, prairies, or other natural landscapes demonstrated to absorb carbon dioxide from the atmosphere; (2) education and marketing regarding local projects or steps community members may take to promote the growth of native vegetation that removes carbon dioxide from the atmosphere; and (3) any other purpose approved by the Department of Natural Resources that advances the State goal that there be no overall net loss of the State's existing forest, prairie, or wetland acres or their functional value due to State-supported activities. Amends the Department of Natural Resources Act and the State Finance Act to make conforming changes.

Location: US-IL

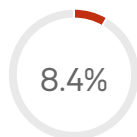
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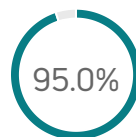
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## VA HB 309

**Title:** Forest Conservation Plan; Department of Forestry to develop.

**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-05

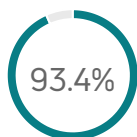
**Last Action Date:** House: Reported from Appropriations (22-Y 0-N). 2024-02-07

**Summary:** Develop of Forest Conservation Plan in coordination with a stakeholder advisory group that shall include "professional environmental technical experts." The plan will be initially submitted 11/1/2025 and will be updated every five years.

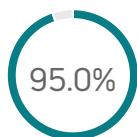
**Description:** Department of Forestry; Forest Conservation Plan required. Requires the Department of Forestry, in coordination with a stakeholder advisory group, to develop a Forest Conservation Plan no later than November 1, 2025, and update such plan every five years thereafter. The bill requires the Department to post and maintain on its website the most recent version of the Plan and submit the Plan to the Governor and Chairmen of the House Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources and the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources no later than November 30, 2025, and November 30 every five years thereafter.

**Location:** US-VA

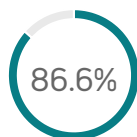
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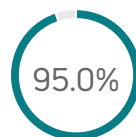
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## NM HB 130

**Title:** CLOUD SEEDING PILOT PROGRAM

**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-12

**Last Action Date:** HAFC: Reported by committee with Do Pass recommendation with amendment(s). 2024-02-06

**Location:** US-NM

Floor Forecast Scores



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MO HB 1725

**Title:** GREEN BONDS

**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-03

**Last Action Date:** Public Hearing Completed (H). 2024-02-06

**Summary:** Sets rules that green bonds must fund sustainable agriculture, aquaculture, and forestry; protection of coastal, marine, and watershed environments; or design and introduction of reusable, recyclable, and refurbished materials. These requirements may increase investment in landscape architecture projects.

**Description:** Establishes requirements for municipal bonds receiving the green bond rating in this state

**Location:** US-MO

Floor Forecast Scores



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OK SB 1569

**Title:** Oklahoma Carbon Sequestration Enhancement Act; modifying agency jurisdiction over carbon sequestration. Effective date.

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Introduction Date:** 2024-02-05

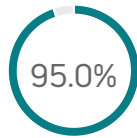
**Last Action Date:** Second Reading referred to Energy and Telecommunications. 2024-02-06

**Location:** US-OK

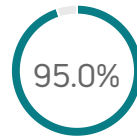
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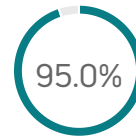
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## WA HB 2446

**Title:** Investing in reforestation efforts following landscape-scale forest disturbances.

**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-22

**Last Action Date:** Referred to Rules 2 Review.. 2024-02-05

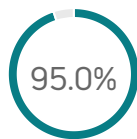
**Summary:** reforestation grant program designed to incentivize and invest in reforestation after large forest stand replacement events such as wildfire, landslides, volcanic eruptions, tsunamis, earthquakes, and other natural catastrophic events that damage the ecoservices of natural or managed forests

**Location:** US-WA

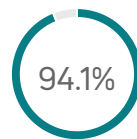
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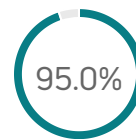
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## FL HB 1581

**Title:** Mangrove Replanting and Restoration

**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-08

**Last Action Date:** Now in Infrastructure Strategies Committee. 2024-02-05

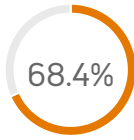
**Summary:** "Encourage the use of new strategies for living shorelines and nature-based features... Identify vulnerable public and private properties along the coastline and encourage partnerships with local governmental entities to create local mangrove protection and restoration zone."

**Description:** Requires DEP to adopt specified rules for mangrove replanting & restoration; conduct, in consultation with Division of Insurance Agent & Agency Services, statewide feasibility study regarding use of mangroves & other nature-based solutions for flood insurance purposes; & submit report to Governor & Legislature by specified date.

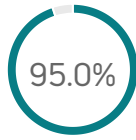
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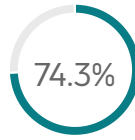
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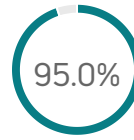
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## WA SB 6058

**Title:** Facilitating linkage of Washington's carbon market with the California-Quebec carbon market.

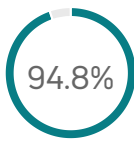
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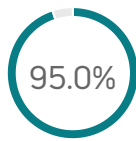
**Last Action Date:** Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.. 2024-02-05

**Location:** US-WA

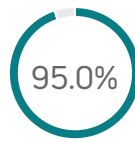
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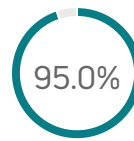
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## WA HB 2073

**Title:** Concerning emissions of greenhouse gases from sources other than methane and carbon dioxide.

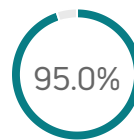
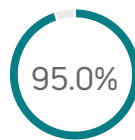
**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-02

**Last Action Date:** Referred to Rules 2 Review.. 2024-02-05

**Location:** US-WA

### Floor Forecast Scores



## CA AB 411

**Title:** California Recreational Trails and Greenways Act.

**Current Status:** Failed

**Introduction Date:** 2023-02-02

**Last Action Date:** From committee: Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to Joint Rule 56..  
2024-02-01

**Summary:** Summary: Adds \$3m to annual Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program Fund. The bill would also revise the types of projects eligible for funding by including natural surface trails, the conversion of rail corridors to trails, pedestrian and cyclist safety improvements at rail crossings, and roadside recreation. Opportunity: More funding for LA projects to lead on safety, recreation, biodiversity, and climate.

**Description:** AB 411, as amended, Bennett. California Recreational Trails and Greenways Act. Existing law establishes the Active Transportation Program in the Department of Transportation to encourage the increased use of active modes of transportation. Existing law provides that the program is funded by state and federal moneys through appropriations in the annual Budget Act and that certain moneys, excluding specified federal moneys for recreational trails projects appropriated to the Department of Parks and Recreation, are to be appropriated for that purpose. Existing law requires the Director of Parks and Recreation to cause to be prepared the California Recreational Trails System Plan, a comprehensive plan for the development and operation of a statewide system of recreation trails, as specified. The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018, approved by the voters as Proposition 68 at the June 5, 2018, statewide primary direct election, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program. Under the act, if any moneys allocated pursuant to the act are not encumbered or expended by the recipient entity within the time period specified by the administering agency, the unexpended moneys are required to revert to the administering agency for allocation, as specified. Article XVI of the California Constitution requires measures authorizing general obligation bonds to specify the single object or work to be funded by the bonds and further requires a bond act to be approved by a 2/3 vote of each house of the Legislature and a majority of the voters. This bill would require the Department of Parks and Recreation to establish the California Recreational Trails and Greenways Program to, beginning in 2024, award competitive grants on a biennial basis for new, expanded, or improved public access opportunities through nonmotorized recreational trail creation, improvement, enhancement, and restoration projects. The bill would create the California Recreational Trails and Greenways Fund in the State Treasury, and would require that specified moneys, including, to the extent consistent with Proposition 68, unexpended Proposition 68 moneys that revert to the administering agency for allocation, upon appropriation by the Legislature, be deposited into the fund and, upon appropriation by the

Legislature, be available for allocation by the department for purposes of the program, as specified. In order to reduce the financial burdens associated with frontloaded cost structures and match requirements, the bill would authorize the department to create a loan or grant process for advanced payment and match assistance to reduce barriers to participation in the program. Proposition 117, an initiative measure approved by the electors at the June 5, 1990, statewide primary direct election, enacted the California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990. The act creates the Habitat Conservation Fund and requires the moneys in the fund to be used for specified purposes generally relating to the acquisition, enhancement, or restoration of wildlife habitat, including \$2,000,000 annually for 50% matching grants to local agencies for projects meeting specified purposes and, additionally, for the acquisition of wildlife corridors and urban trails, nature interpretation programs, and other programs that bring urban residents into park and wildlife areas. The act, as initially approved by the electors, required the Controller, until June 30, 2020, to annually transfer \$30,000,000 from the General Fund to the Habitat Conservation Fund, less any amount transferred to the Habitat Conservation Fund from specified accounts and funds, and authorizes the Legislature to extend the operative effect of this transfer by statute. Except for the extension of this transfer and other specified exceptions, the act prohibits the Legislature from amending the act except by a 4/5 vote of the membership of both houses of the Legislature. The act requires any amendment of the act to be consistent with, and further the purposes of, the act. Existing law extends the transfer of these funds until June 30, 2030. This bill would encourage the department, to the extent consistent with Proposition 117, to allocate 50% of the \$2,000,000 described above for purposes of increasing access to trails.

**Location:** US-CA

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## CA AB 287

**Title:** California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: competitive grant programs: funding objectives.

**Current Status:** Failed

**Introduction Date:** 2023-01-24

**Last Action Date:** From committee: Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to Joint Rule 56.. 2024-02-01

**Summary:** This bill would require the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to be used to promote climate adaptation, reduce vehicle miles traveled, and promote partnerships between jurisdictions and public agencies, Native American tribes in the state, nonprofits, and other community institutions. For competitive grant programs that involve housing, urban forestry, urban greening, or planning, this bill would require state agencies administering those grants to develop at least 3 categories for applications based on the population and density of the communities in which the proposed project is to be located and to develop scoring criteria for each category.

**Description:** AB 287, as introduced, Garcia. California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: competitive grant programs: funding objectives. The

California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases. The act authorizes the state board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms in regulating these sources. Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and to be available upon appropriation by the Legislature. Existing law requires the moneys from the fund to be used to facilitate the achievement of reductions of greenhouse gas emissions consistent with the act and, where applicable and to the extent feasible, to maximize economic, environmental, and public health benefits to the state, among other goals. This bill, beginning July 1, 2025, would require state agencies administering competitive grant programs that allocate moneys from the fund to give specified communities preferential points during grant application scoring for programs intended to improve air quality, to provide for a specified application timeline, and to allow applicants from the Counties of Imperial and San Diego to include daytime population numbers in grant applications. This bill, for competitive grant programs that involve housing, urban forestry, urban greening, or planning and that allocate moneys from the fund after July 1, 2025, would require state agencies administering those moneys from the fund to develop at least 3 categories for applications based on the population and density of the communities in which the proposed project is to be located and to develop scoring criteria for each category. This bill would additionally require the moneys in the fund to be used to facilitate the achievement of reductions of greenhouse gas emissions consistent with the act and, where applicable and to the extent feasible, to promote climate adaptation, accelerate the development of low-carbon technology and reduce vehicle miles traveled, and promote partnerships between jurisdictions and public agencies, Native American tribes in the state, nonprofits, and other community institutions, among other objectives. This bill also would require the Department of Finance to include in an annual report to the Legislature specified information on the applications received for each grant program allocating moneys from the fund.

**Location:** US-CA

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## VA HB 357

**Title:** Tidal and nontidal wetlands; DEQ to establish work group to develop strategies to protect, report.

**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-06

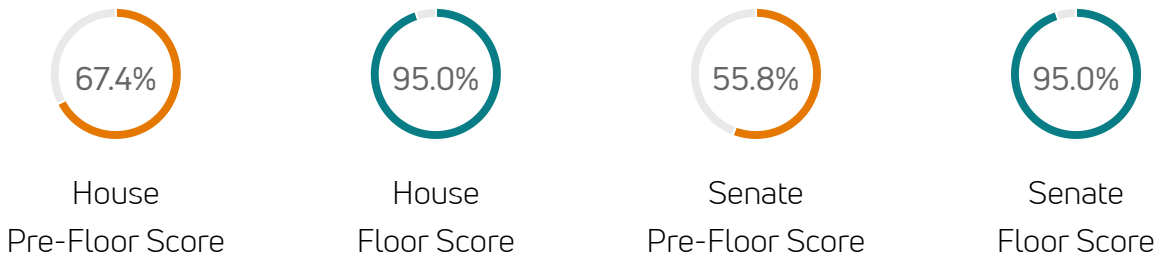
**Last Action Date:** House: Continued to 2025 in Rules by voice vote. 2024-02-01

**Description:** Department of Environmental Quality; protection of existing tidal and nontidal wetlands; wetland restoration and creation; work group; report. Directs the Department of Environmental Quality to establish a work group to develop (i) strategies for protecting the existing tidal and nontidal wetlands of the Commonwealth and (ii) plans for wetland restoration and creation to address losses and adverse impacts from human activities and

climate change. The bill specifies that such work group shall include certain relevant stakeholders and will focus on (a) evaluating existing approaches to wetland conservation strategies in the Commonwealth and other states, (b) identifying wetlands adaption areas where tidal wetlands can persist in the landscape, and © exploring the circumstances in which climate can impact the wetlands' health and survival. The bill requires the work group to report its findings and recommendations to the Chairs of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources and House Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources by December 1, 2024.

**Location:** US-VA

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**WA SB 5990**

**Title:** Integrating environmental justice considerations into certain project decisions.

**Current Status:** In Senate

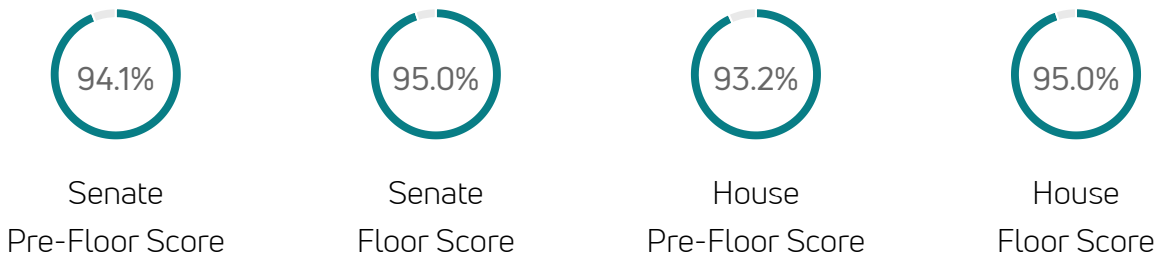
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-04

**Last Action Date:** Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology at 1:30 PM.. 2024-01-30

**Summary:** General construction projects requiring permits to build are covered and subject to EJ considerations. Clean energy projects are exempt from this review.

**Location:** US-WA

**Floor Forecast Scores**



**MD HB 155**

**Title:** Maryland Energy Administration - Carbon Capture Opportunity Program - Establishment

**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2023-10-10

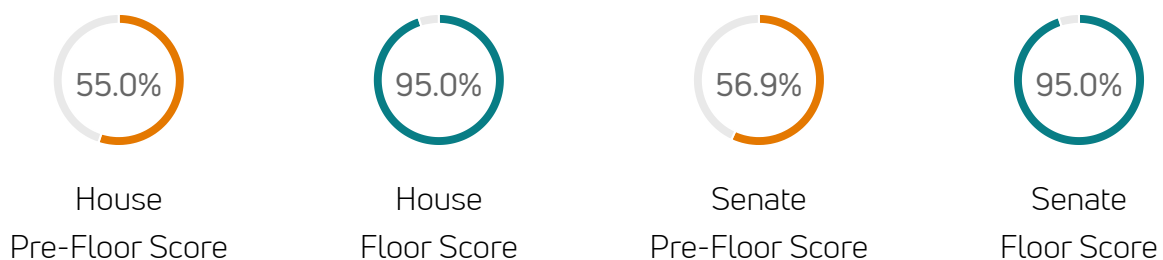
**Last Action Date:** Hearing 2/08 at 1:00 p.m.. 2024-01-29

**Summary:** Provides support to nonprofits and businesses engaged in carbon capture. In particular, will help low-capacity organizations apply for federal and private grant funding. Significant in the context of the Inflation Reduction Act.

**Description:** Establishing the Carbon Capture Opportunity Program in the Maryland Energy Administration to assist nonprofit and for-profit businesses engaged in carbon capture projects or carbon capture research; and requiring the Administration to establish application procedures, provide technical assistance to participating businesses, assist participants in applying for federal and private grant funding, and publicize the availability of the Program.

**Location:** US-MD

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## WA SB 6237

**Title:** Ensuring connectivity for Washington wildlife through safe passages.

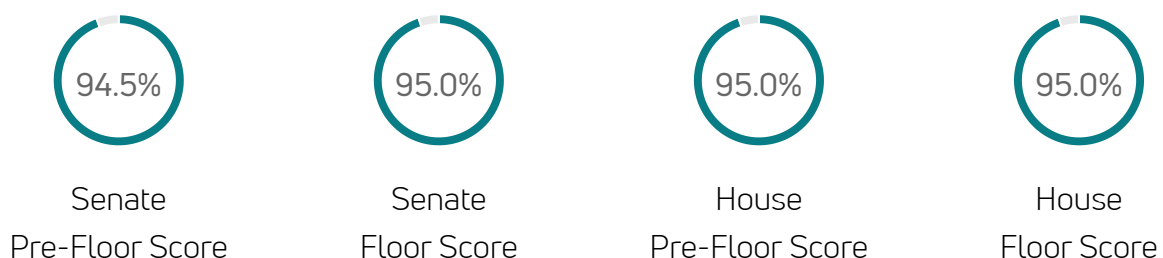
**Current Status:** In Senate

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-15

**Last Action Date:** Referred to Ways & Means.. 2024-01-29

**Location:** US-WA

#### Floor Forecast Scores



## RI HB 7293

**Title:** An Act Relating To Agriculture And Forestry -- Old Growth Forest Protection Act (Creates A Statutory Framework Designed To Protect Our Forests And Biodiversity, Also Prohibits Logging In Old Growth Forests And In The Natural Area Preserves When They Are Created.)

**Current Status:** In House

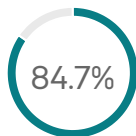
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-26

**Last Action Date:** Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources. 2024-01-26

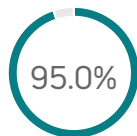
**Summary:** Establishes natural heritage program to find, monitor, and protect native biodiversity, old growth forests, rare forest ecosystems, and rare and endangered natural species, and more.

**Location:** US-RI

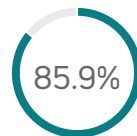
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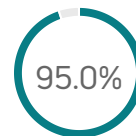
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## WA SB 5095

**Title:** Creating the "parks Rx" health and wellness pilot programs.

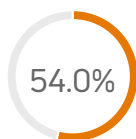
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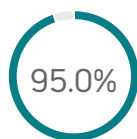
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**Location:** US-WA

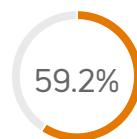
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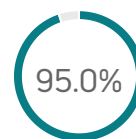
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## CA SB 394

**Title:** Master Plan for Healthy, Sustainable, and Climate-Resilient Schools.

**Current Status:** Failed

**Introduction Date:** 2023-02-09

**Last Action Date:** Veto sustained.. 2024-01-25

**Description:** SB 394, Gonzalez. Master Plan for Healthy, Sustainable, and Climate-Resilient Schools. Existing law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to develop contingency plans to deal with possible shortages of electrical

energy or fuel supplies to protect public health, safety, and welfare. Existing law establishes the Clean Energy Job Creation Program for purposes of funding projects for energy efficiency retrofits and clean energy installations, along with related improvements and repairs that contribute to reduced operating costs and improved health and safety conditions, on public schools. Existing law requires certain moneys appropriated for purposes of the program to be allocated to local educational agencies, as specified. Existing law authorizes the commission to adjust the funding allocation to local educational agencies and requires the commission, in allocating grants to local educational agencies, to give priority to certain local educational agencies, as provided. This bill would require, if an appropriation is made for this purpose, the commission to develop a Master Plan for Healthy, Sustainable, and Climate-Resilient Schools on or before March 31, 2025, or 15 months after the appropriation is made, whichever is later. The bill would require the commission to consult with specified state agencies and engage with a diverse group of stakeholders and experts regarding the development of the master plan, as provided. The bill would require the master plan to include specified elements, including, but not limited to, assessments of a representative sample of the state's public elementary and secondary school buildings and grounds, as provided, and a set of priorities, benchmarks, and milestones for health, resilience, and decarbonization of public school campuses and support facilities.

**Location:** US-CA

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## WI SB 786

**Title:** climate change scholarships and making an appropriation. (FE)

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Introduction Date:** 2023-12-08

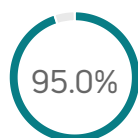
**Last Action Date:** Representative Haywood added as a cosponsor. 2024-01-25

**Summary:** \$5000 scholarships for students engaged in a field that addresses climate change. LA program at UW-Madison should qualify.

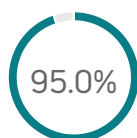
**Description:** An Act to create 20.235 (1) (dm) and 39.467 of the statutes;

**Location:** US-WI

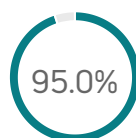
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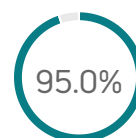
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## HI HB 1787

**Title:** Relating To Beach Protection And Coastal Access.

**Current Status:** In House

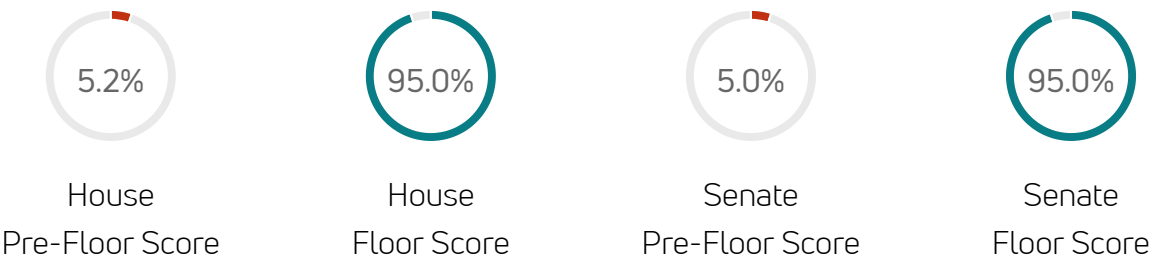
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-19

**Last Action Date:** Referred to WAL, JHA, referral sheet 1. 2024-01-24

**Description:** Amends the beach protection policy of the coastal zone management program to recognize that unauthorized structures, materials, armoring, or hardening structures, including seawalls and revetments, sandbags, geotextile fabrics, and sand burritos, placed in the shoreline are a nuisance per se. Strengthens state and county abatement and cost recovery authority of, and allows citizen suits for, this type of nuisance.

**Location:** US-HI

**Floor Forecast Scores**



**FL HB 1187**

**Title:** Carbon Sequestration

**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-03

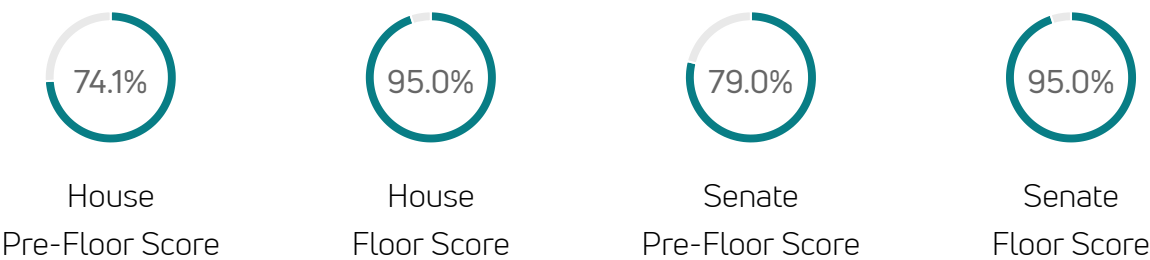
**Last Action Date:** Now in Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee. 2024-01-24

**Summary:** Establishes Carbon Sequestration Task Force with public and academic members. Task force will evaluate and enhance ecosystem services from terrestrial and aquatic environments.

**Description:** Creates Carbon Sequestration Task Force adjunct to DEP; provides for task force membership & duties; requires task force to submit specified reports to Secretary of Environmental Protection & Governor & Legislature by specified dates; provides appropriation.

**Location:** US-FL

**Floor Forecast Scores**



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## VT H 586

**Title:** An act relating to flood protection and climate resilience infrastructure and financing

**Current Status:** In House

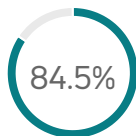
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-03

**Last Action Date:** Rep. [Sheldon of Middlebury] moved that the Committee on [Environment and Energy] be relieved of the bill and that the same be committed to the Committee on [Ways and Means], which was agreed to. 2024-01-24

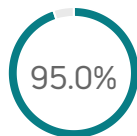
**Summary:** Requires funding and implementation priority for creation or improvement of climate resilient watersheds. Establishes the Statewide Green Infrastructure for Climate Resilience Program to address stormwater, heat island, and socioeconomic impact of climate disasters.

**Location:** US-VT

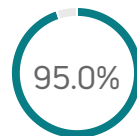
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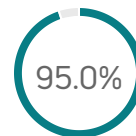
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## IN HB 1172

**Title:** Committee on climate resilience and economic growth.

**Current Status:** In House

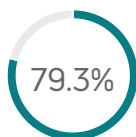
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-08

**Last Action Date:** Representative Garcia Wilburn V added as coauthor. 2024-01-23

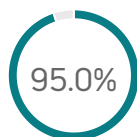
**Description:** Establishes a committee to study the impact of climate change in Indiana and annually report findings to the general assembly and the governor from December 1, 2024, to December 1, 2027.

**Location:** US-IN

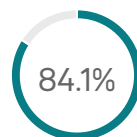
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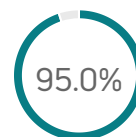
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Senate  
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## NY S 3335

**Title:** Establishes the office of flooding prevention and mitigation

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Introduction Date:** 2023-01-30

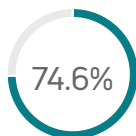
**Last Action Date:** ADVANCED TO THIRD READING. 2024-01-22

**Summary:** Summary: Establishes the Office of Flooding Prevention and Mitigation to advise and assist the governor in developing policies, coordinate state and municipal programs, conduct studies and reports, promulgate information and engage communities, and update best practices to account for climate change. Opportunity: LA could be hired as office director, potentially other position.

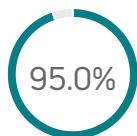
**Description:** Establishes the office of flooding prevention and mitigation to manage and coordinate the work of task forces, commissions, and other bodies and programs tasked with examining issues related to flooding, to review and assess best practices and make recommendations regarding flood prevention and mitigation, and to assist municipalities in developing strategies and policies to combat flooding.

**Location:** US-NY

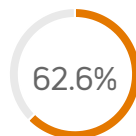
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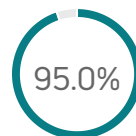
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## CA AB 1819

**Title:** Enhanced infrastructure financing districts: public capital facilities: wildfires.

**Current Status:** In Assembly

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-11

**Last Action Date:** Referred to Com. on L. GOV.. 2024-01-22

**Description:** AB 1819, as introduced, Waldron. Enhanced infrastructure financing districts: public capital facilities: wildfires. Existing law authorizes the legislative body of a city or a county to establish an enhanced infrastructure financing district to finance public capital facilities or other specified projects of communitywide significance. This bill would additionally authorize an enhanced infrastructure financing district that are at least partially in high or very high fire hazard severity zones designated by the State Fire Marshal, as specified, to finance heavy equipment to be used for vegetation clearance and firebreaks, fortification of utilities against wildfires, and equipment used for fire watch, prevention, and fighting.

**Location:** US-CA

Floor Forecast Scores



Assembly  
Pre-Floor Score



Assembly  
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MS SB 2059

**Title:** Biomass and Bioenergy with carbon capture technology; define.

**Current Status:** In Senate

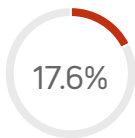
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-17

**Last Action Date:** Referred To Forestry. 2024-01-17

**Description:** An Act To Create New Sections In Title 49, Chapter 19, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Define Biomass And Other Relevant Terms; To Require That Energy Produced From Certain Sources Be Considered Carbon Neutral; To Require That Energy Produced From Certain Sources In Conjunction With Carbon Capture Technologies Be Considered Carbon Negative; And For Related Purposes.

**Location:** US-MS

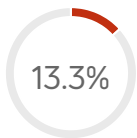
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FL HB 1531

**Title:** Climate Resilience and Drinking Water Standards

**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-08

**Last Action Date:** Now in Water Quality, Supply & Treatment Subcommittee. 2024-01-13

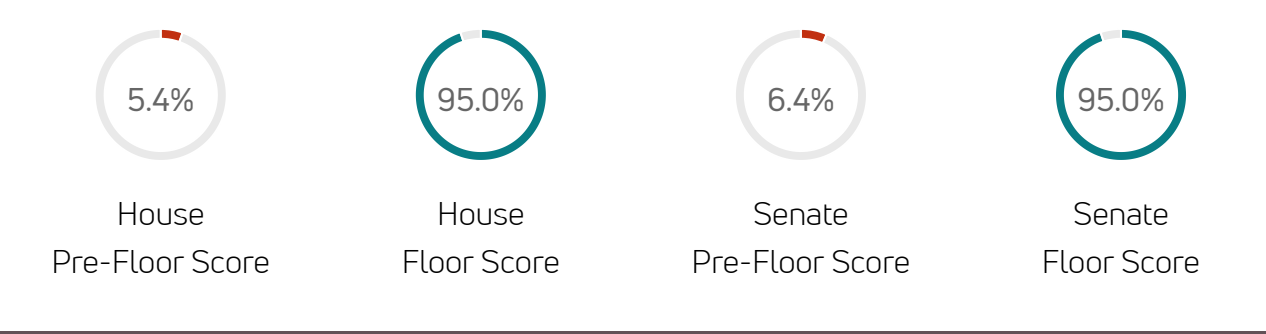
**Summary:** Encourages limits on the total area of land covered by impervious surfaces to reduce runoff, seagrass restoration, and stormwater infrastructure upgrades. Creates the Ocean State Climate Adaptation and Resilience Act to support "projects on public land that protect or enhance coastal or riverine habitats to address climate change impacts."

**Description:** Requires DEP to establish Blue Communities Program & Blue Communities Fund; establishes advisory board within DEP; provides for membership; establishes Ocean

State Climate Adaptation & Resilience Grant Fund within DEP; specifies sources & uses of funding & project eligibility requirements; provides duties of DEP & Florida Oceans & Coastal Council; provides reporting requirements; requires DEP & council to jointly adopt rules; establishes Marine Resources Conservation Account within Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund to be administered by FWCC; requires DEP, or local county health department designated by DEP, to monitor level of forever chemicals in certain water systems; provides monitoring standards.

**Location:** US-FL

**Floor Forecast Scores**



MD SB 306

**Title:** Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area Protection Program - Climate, Equity, and Administrative Provisions

**Current Status:** In Senate

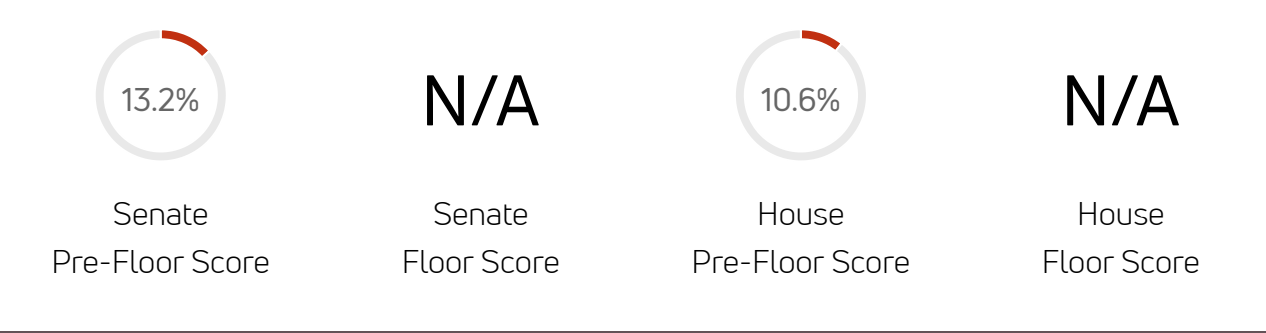
**Introduction Date:** 2023-09-15

**Last Action Date:** Hearing 1/31 at 2:00 p.m.. 2024-01-11

**Description:** Authorizing the Critical Area Commission to adopt regulations governing the transfer of development rights, fee in lieu payments, the assessment of and adaption to climate change relevant to the critical area, enhancing resilience in the critical area, and environmental justice and equity initiatives; establishing certain considerations of climate change, resiliency, and equity as general principles and minimum elements of local programs; etc.

**Location:** US-MD

**Floor Forecast Scores**



MD HB 233

**Title:** Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area Protection Program – Climate, Equity, and Administrative Provisions

**Current Status:** In House

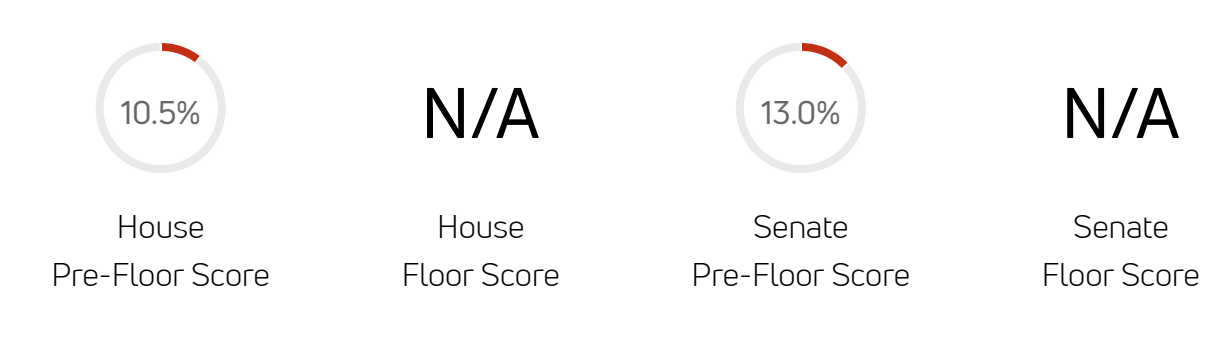
**Introduction Date:** 2023-09-15

**Last Action Date:** Hearing 2/07 at 2:30 p.m.. 2024-01-10

**Description:** Authorizing the Critical Area Commission to adopt regulations governing the transfer of development rights, fee in lieu payments, the assessment of and adaption to climate change relevant to the critical area, enhancing resilience in the critical area, and environmental justice and equity initiatives; establishing certain considerations of climate change, resiliency, and equity as general principles and minimum elements of local programs; etc.

**Location:** US-MD

**Floor Forecast Scores**



WA HB 1190

**Title:** Concerning environmental leadership through outdoor recreation and climate adaptation investments.

**Current Status:** In House

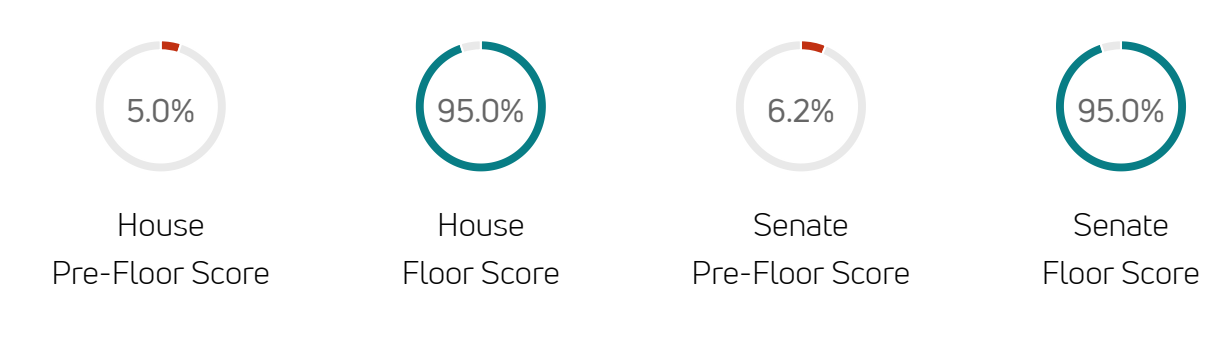
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-08

**Last Action Date:** By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.. 2024-01-08

**Summary:** Creates the outdoor recreation and climate adaptation account to fund forest health, water risk management, and recreation enhancements.

**Location:** US-WA

**Floor Forecast Scores**



WA HB 1735

**Title:** Adding net ecological gain as a voluntary element of comprehensive plans under the growth management act.

**Current Status:** In House

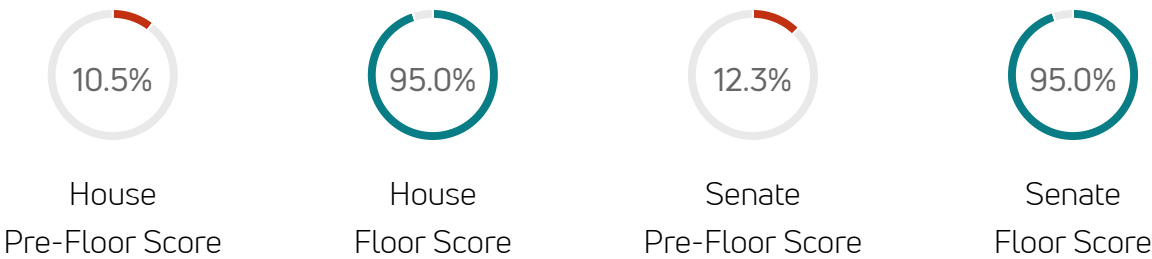
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-08

**Last Action Date:** By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.. 2024-01-08

**Summary:** Summary: Amends the Growth Management Act (1990) to include net ecological gain to absorb unforeseen carbon and restore a healthy ecosystem for salmon biomes. A city or county that chooses to pursue net-gain under its GMA plan will be eligible to apply for planning grant assistance of up to \$100,000. Opportunity: New funding for LA projects to lead on biodiversity and NBS climate mitigation.

**Location:** US-WA

**Floor Forecast Scores**



WA HB 1789

**Title:** Expanding revenue generation and economic opportunities from natural climate solutions and ecosystem services.

**Current Status:** In House

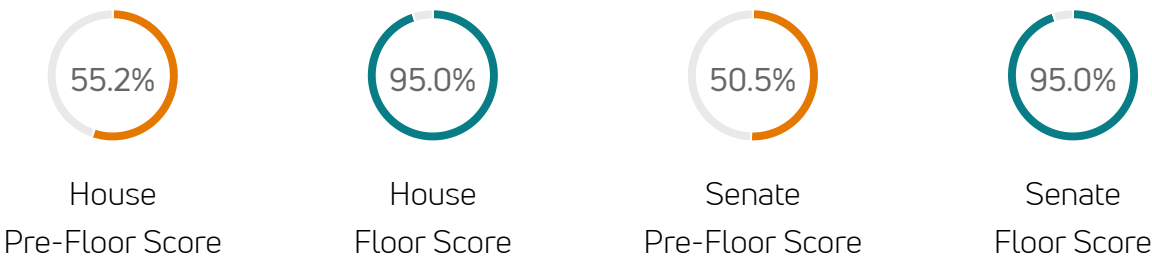
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-08

**Last Action Date:** Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources.. 2024-01-08

**Summary:** The department is authorized to enter into contracts for payment for ecosystem service projects on public lands for the purpose of generating additional revenue. Opportunity for landscape architects to win contracts for projects in nature-based solutions.

**Location:** US-WA

**Floor Forecast Scores**



WA SB 5203

**Title:** Improving the state's response to climate change by updating the state's planning framework.

**Current Status:** In Senate

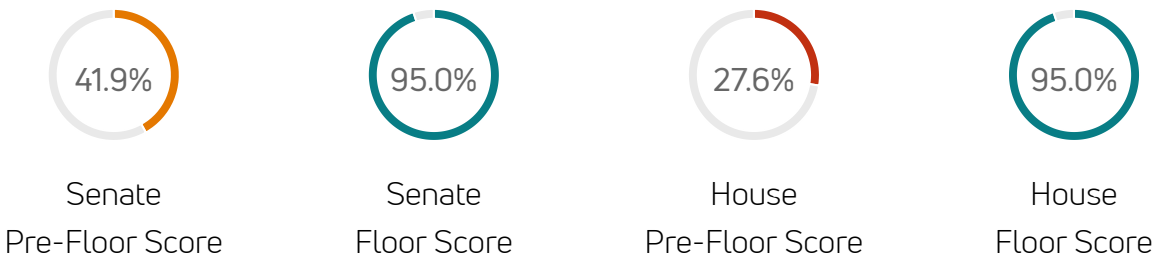
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-08

**Last Action Date:** By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.. 2024-01-08

**Summary:** Updates the state's planning framework to elevate climate resilience and responsible shoreline development.

**Location:** US-WA

**Floor Forecast Scores**



**WA SB 5380**

**Title:** Concerning clean energy siting.

**Current Status:** In Senate

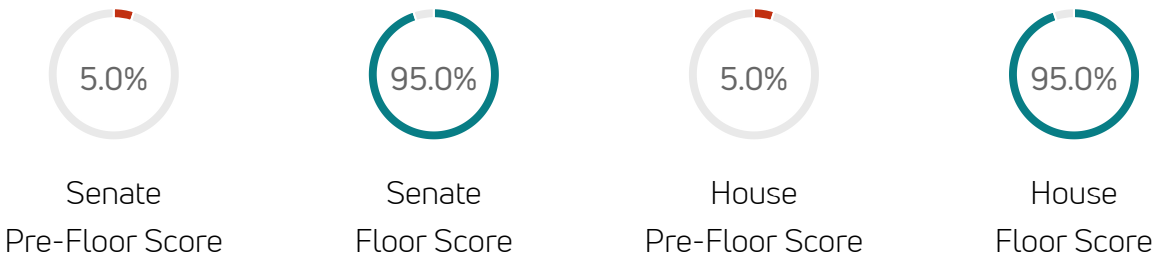
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-08

**Last Action Date:** By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.. 2024-01-08

**Summary:** Establishes an Interagency Clean Energy Siting Council, including participation from departments of Fish & Wildlife, Transportation, and Historic Preservation. Assigns new rules and directions for departments of Commerce and Ecology in the permitting process for clean energy projects.

**Location:** US-WA

**Floor Forecast Scores**



**WA SB 5551**

**Title:** Supporting Washington's crop and livestock farms, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and generating renewable energy by capturing methane.

**Current Status:** In Senate

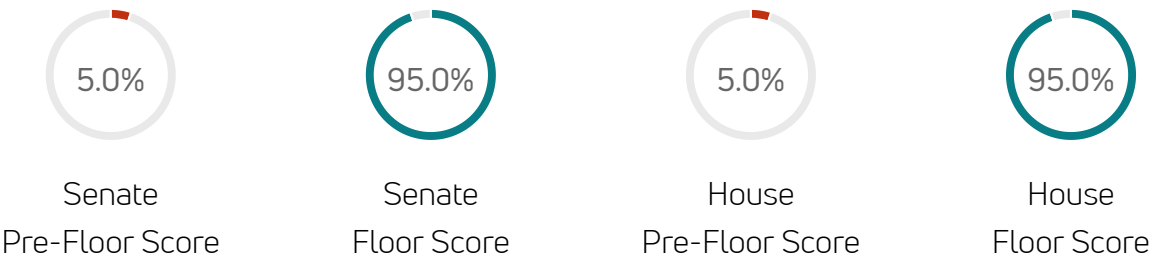
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-08

**Last Action Date:** By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.. 2024-01-08

**Summary:** Financial support to agricultural producers for the development of site-specific conservation plans, providing financial assistance to implement best management practices that increase carbon sequestration in soil organic matter levels and standing vegetation. Grants for technical assistance on climate-smart livestock management practices, research. Creates multi-stakeholder advisory committee.

**Location:** US-WA

Floor Forecast Scores



WA SB 5688

**Title:** Providing carbon sequestration and ecosystem services in the management of public lands.

**Current Status:** In Senate

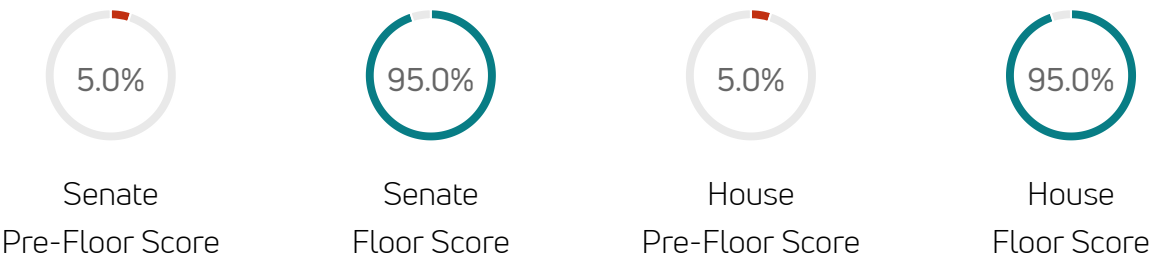
**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-08

**Last Action Date:** By resolution, reintroduced and retained in present status.. 2024-01-08

**Summary:** Summary: Establishes a program to provide technical assistance to any state agency or local government seeking to develop an emissions offset credit market. Credits will be generated through the protection and restoration of public lands. Revenue from credit sales will go to a new aquatic lands enhancement account. Opportunity: LAs can engage with state agencies or local government units to grow the ecosystem service market. LAs can apply for grant funding under the new aquatic lands account. House version: WA HB 1789

**Location:** US-WA

Floor Forecast Scores



VT H 105

**Title:** An act relating to the Community Resilience and Disaster Mitigation Fund

**Current Status:** In House

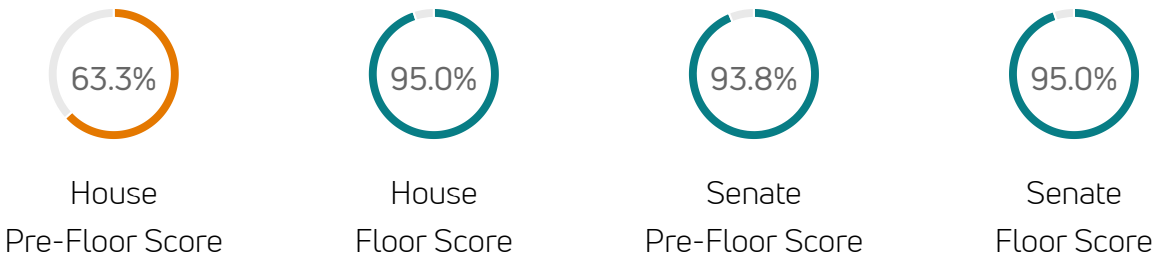
**Introduction Date:** 2023-01-25

**Last Action Date:** Rep. [McCarthy of St. Albans City] moved that the Committee on [Government Operations and Military Affairs] be relieved of the bill and that the same be committed to the Committee on [Ways and Means], which was agreed to. 2024-01-05

**Summary:** Establishes the Community Resilience and Disaster Mitigation Grant Program. The Department of Public Safety shall administer the program, which awards grants for: (A) technical assistance on natural disaster mitigation to municipalities; and (B) projects that implement disaster mitigation measures, including slope stabilization, watershed restoration, fuels mitigation, drought mitigation, and similar activities that directly reduce risks to communities, lives, and property. \$3 million allocated to the fund.

**Location:** US-VT

**Floor Forecast Scores**



**RI HB 7022**

**Title:** An Act Relating To Waters And Navigation -- Act On Coasts - Coastal Resiliency (Requires The Chief Resilience Officer (Cro) Be Charged With Creation/Maintenance/Updating Of The State'S Resiliency/Recovery Program Along With Climate Change Resiliency Plan With Ocean/Riverine Coasts Resilience Advisory Board.)

**Current Status:** In House

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-05

**Last Action Date:** Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources. 2024-01-05

**Summary:** Establishes an advisory board on resilience for ocean and riverine coasts. Board members will advise on adaptation planning, assist in improving access to scientific and technical information, engage communities, and produce resilience strategy for the Governor.

**Location:** US-RI

**Floor Forecast Scores**



## NY A 3351

**Title:** Establishes the climate change adaptation cost recovery program and the climate change adaptation fund

**Current Status:** In Assembly

**Introduction Date:** 2023-02-02

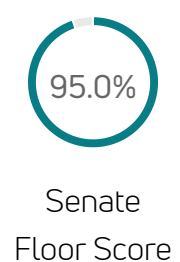
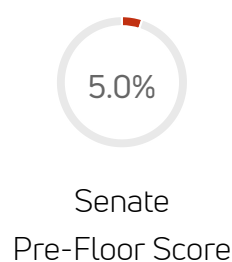
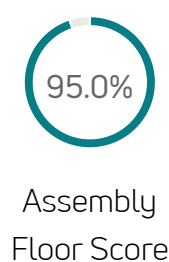
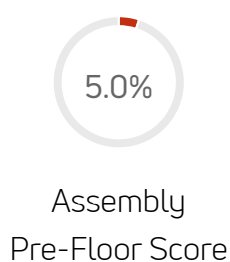
**Last Action Date:** REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION. 2024-01-03

**Summary:** Summary: Establishes a climate change adaptation cost recovery program. Projects include but are not limited to NBS and natural infrastructure; addressing urban heat island effects through green spaces, urban forestry; and responding to toxic algae blooms, loss of agricultural topsoil, and other climate-driven ecosystem threats to forests, farms, fisheries, and food systems. Opportunity: Funding for LA projects.

**Description:** Establishes the climate change adaptation cost recovery program to require companies that have contributed significantly to the buildup of climate-warming greenhouse gases in the atmosphere to bear a share of the costs of needed infrastructure investments to adapt to climate change; mandates that projects funded by the program require compliance with prevailing wage requirements; requires that contracts for funded projects contain a provision that the structural iron and structural steel used or supplied in the performance of the contract or any subcontract thereto shall be produced or made in whole or substantial part in the United States, its territories or possessions; makes additional provisions; and establishes the climate change adaptation fund.

**Location:** US-NY

### Floor Forecast Scores



## NY A 1780

High Priority

👍 Support

**Title:** Imposes a highway use fee on outdoor advertising; establishes a New York state urban reforestation fund and makes provisions supporting urban forestry

**Current Status:** In Assembly

**Introduction Date:** 2023-01-20

**Last Action Date:** REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION. 2024-01-03

**Summary:** Establishes a NY state urban reforestation fund. As part of the fund program, cities must establish an urban forestry plan and urban forestry planning capability which includes the services of a professional forester and/or licensed landscape architects, undertaking and maintaining an inventory, and undertaking tree planting, maintenance, removal and pruning.

**Description:** Imposes a highway use fee on outdoor advertising; establishes a New York state urban reforestation fund from fees imposed on outdoor advertising; makes provisions supporting urban forestry.

**Location:** US-NY



Green Infrastructure



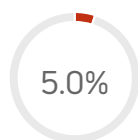
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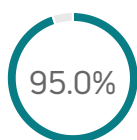
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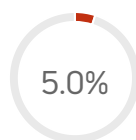
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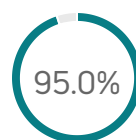
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## NY A 4224

**Title:** Establishes the natural carbon sequestration research program

**Current Status:** In Assembly

**Introduction Date:** 2023-02-13

**Last Action Date:** REFERRED TO ENERGY. 2024-01-03

**Summary:** Summary: establishes a natural carbon sequestration research program, with an emphasis on agricultural land. The program will focus on soil health, cropping systems, and agroforestry. Opportunity: students and faculty may participate in research on climate mitigation; as written, the bill favors Cornell University, but advocacy to the legislature could expand program to additional institutions.

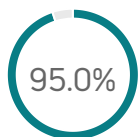
**Description:** Establishes the natural carbon sequestration research program to develop innovative science-based solutions to facilitate sequestration of carbon in New York's natural and working lands.

**Location:** US-NY

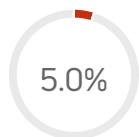
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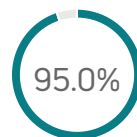
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## NY A 4306

**Title:** Relates to establishing a carbon dioxide emissions price for electric generation from carbon-based fuel and creating a carbon dioxide emissions fund

**Current Status:** In Assembly

**Introduction Date:** 2023-02-14

**Last Action Date:** REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION. 2024-01-03

**Summary:** Summary: Establishes the carbon dioxide emissions fund. 20% of the fund used to improve climate mitigation and adaptation in disadvantaged communities. 40% of the fund to support mass transit to reduce carbon emissions. Opportunity: climate leadership, EJ engagement

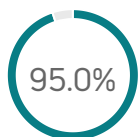
**Description:** Establishes a carbon dioxide emissions price for electric generation from carbon-based fuel; creates a carbon dioxide emissions fund.

**Location:** US-NY

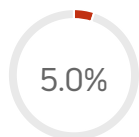
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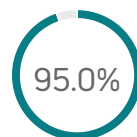
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## NY A 7312

**Title:** Establishes a green development neighborhood tax exemption

**Current Status:** In Assembly

**Introduction Date:** 2023-05-17

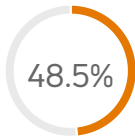
**Last Action Date:** REFERRED TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION. 2024-01-03

**Summary:** - Establishes a green development neighborhood tax exemption - Lower property taxes for residential, common areas, and vacant land for up to 10 years - Bill references LEED-ND, but should also allow SITES certification to qualify for tax break

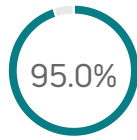
**Description:** Establishes a green development neighborhood tax exemption.

**Location:** US-NY

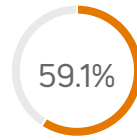
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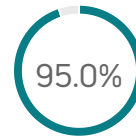
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## NY A 8153

**Title:** Establishes the New York native plants program

**Current Status:** In Assembly

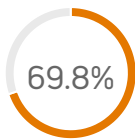
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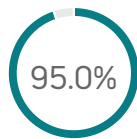
**Description:** Establishes the New York native plants program to conserve, promote, and enhance the native ecology of New York state by encouraging the use of native plants and ecological-friendly methods and materials on state and local land.

**Location:** US-NY

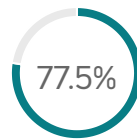
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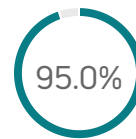
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## NY S 1853

**Title:** Establishes the natural carbon sequestration research program

**Current Status:** In Senate

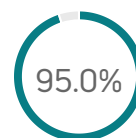
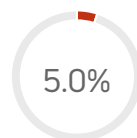
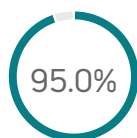
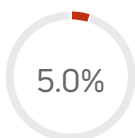
**Introduction Date:** 2023-01-17

**Last Action Date:** REFERRED TO ENERGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS. 2024-01-03

**Description:** Establishes the natural carbon sequestration research program to develop innovative science-based solutions to facilitate sequestration of carbon in New York's natural and working lands; provides funding for such program.

**Location:** US-NY

### Floor Forecast Scores



NY S 2129

**Title:** Establishes the climate change adaptation cost recovery program and the climate change adaptation fund

**Current Status:** Failed

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-03

**Last Action Date:** REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION. 2024-01-03

**Description:** Establishes the climate change adaptation cost recovery program to require companies that have contributed significantly to the buildup of climate-warming greenhouse gases in the atmosphere to bear a share of the costs of needed infrastructure investments to adapt to climate change; mandates that projects funded by the program require compliance with prevailing wage requirements; requires that contracts for funded projects contain a provision that the structural iron and structural steel used or supplied in the performance of the contract or any subcontract thereto shall be produced or made in whole or substantial part in the United States, its territories or possessions; makes additional provisions; and establishes the climate change adaptation fund.

**Location:** US-NY

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NY S 4125

**Title:** Establishes the New York state reforest, restore and sustainable agriculture commission

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Introduction Date:** 2023-02-03

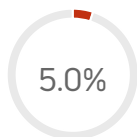
**Last Action Date:** REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION. 2024-01-03

**Summary:** Summary: Establishes temporary state commission to facilitate reforestation and restoration of habitat. Focus on agricultural lands. Authorizes the to commission enter into any agreements necessary to advance its mission. Opportunity: LA can serve on commission. LA can enter into public-private agreement with the commission to complete projects in biodiversity and sustainable agriculture. Restored ecosystems enhance carbon sequestration and climate resilience.

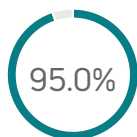
**Description:** Establishes a temporary state commission to be known as the New York state reforest, restore and sustainable agriculture commission to evaluate and make recommendations concerning the reforestation and restoration of forests and ecological habitats in the state of New York.

**Location:** US-NY

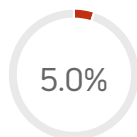
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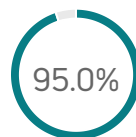
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## NY S 6106

**Title:** Establishes the climate relocation planning and preparation act

**Current Status:** In Senate

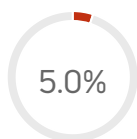
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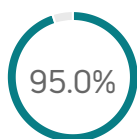
**Description:** Establishes the climate relocation planning and preparation act to prepare state government and regional planning councils for the possibility of increased in-migration to New York state due to climate change.

**Location:** US-NY

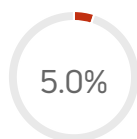
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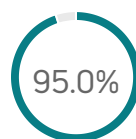
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## NY S 7870

**Title:** Establishes a bicycle and pedestrian planning assistance program within the department of transportation

**Current Status:** In Senate

**Introduction Date:** 2024-01-03

**Last Action Date:** REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION. 2024-01-03

**Summary:** To provide support to county and municipal governments, at no local cost, for comprehensive bicycle and/or pedestrian plans, studies, feasibility assessments, Complete Street development, etc. At least 35 percent of funds will go to low-income communities.

**Description:** Establishes a bicycle and pedestrian planning assistance program within the department of transportation to provide county and municipal governments with planning assistance for locally driven projects and activities that lead to bicycle and pedestrian friendly infrastructure; establishes criteria for approval for assistance under such program.

**Location:** US-NY

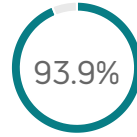
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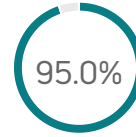
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