

H.R.5089, the Weather Act Reauthorization Act of 2025

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“Recent deadly flooding in Texas and submerged subways in New York City are the latest reminders of the essential role weather forecasting plays in protecting lives, reducing the impacts of severe weather on numerous industries, and boosting the nation’s economy. Passage of The Weather Act Reauthorization is a critical step in both maintaining and increasing forecast accuracy and lead time for extreme weather including floods, tornadoes and hurricanes.”

“Investing in weather forecasting has proven to be one of the most efficient uses of taxpayer dollars – every dollar spent on U.S. weather forecasting yields an estimated \$74 in value to the nation. By expanding access to weather data, advancing forecast technologies, and accelerating the transition from research to operations, the Weather Act Reauthorization builds on investments already made and will improve the quality of forecasts relied on by emergency managers, the public, and industry.”

“Extreme weather threatens all Americans regardless of political affiliation, which is why investment in U.S. weather forecasting has long received strong bipartisan support. This legislation will not only lead to more American lives saved, but also set the U.S. on a path toward global leadership in modeling and prediction, and reinforce the foundation that supports a \$7 billion private weather industry.”