

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 8086

To amend the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act to provide direct hire authority for Job Corps graduates, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 15, 2022

Mr. O'HALLERAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on 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

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Conservation Jobs Act
5 of 2022”.

1 **SEC. 2. DIRECT HIRE AUTHORITY.**

2 Section 147(d) of the Workforce Innovation and Op-
3 portunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3197(d)) is amended by adding
4 at the end the following:

5 “(4) DIRECT HIRE AUTHORITY.—

6 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of
7 Labor or the Secretary of Agriculture may ap-
8 point, without regard to the provisions of sub-
9 chapter I of chapter 33 of title 5, United States
10 Code (other than sections 3303 and 3328 of
11 such title), a covered graduate directly to any
12 position with the Department of Labor or the
13 Forest Service, as the case may be, for which
14 the candidate meets Office of Personnel Man-
15 agement qualification standards.

16 “(B) COVERED JOB CORPS GRADUATE.—In
17 this paragraph, the term ‘covered graduate’
18 means a graduate of a Job Corps Campus or a
19 Civilian Conservation Center who successfully
20 completed a training program, including in ad-
21 ministration, human resources, business, or
22 quality assurance, that was focused on forestry,
23 wildland firefighting, or another topic relating
24 to the mission of the Department of Labor or
25 the Forest Service.”.

