

HR 1491

Securing Transportation Energy Efficiency for Tomorrow Act of 2003

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Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Apr 29, 2003
Rep. Pastor, Ed [D-AZ-4]	D · AZ		Jun 3, 2003
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Sep 9, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 10, 2003
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 27, 2003
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 1, 2003
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 2, 2003
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Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 2, 2003
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Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 27, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Energy

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 6	Related bill	Nov 21, 2003: Motion by Senator Frist to reconsider the vote by which cloture on the conference report to accompnay H. R. 6 was not invoked (Roll Call Vote No. 456) entered in Senate.

Securing Transportation Energy Efficiency for Tomorrow Act of 2003 - Amends Federal law to authorize the Administrator of General Services to establish a program for the procurement and installation of photovoltaic solar electric systems for electric production in public buildings.

Directs the Architect of the Capitol to evaluate the energy infrastructure of the Capitol Complex to determine how it could be augmented to become more energy efficient, using photovoltaic solar energy systems, district-heating, and other unconventional and renewable energy resources.

Amends the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to direct the Secretary of Commerce to carry out a demonstration program for the development of brightfield sites (brownfield sites redeveloped through the incorporation of solar energy technologies).

Amends Federal transportation law to: (1) direct the Secretary of Transportation (Secretary) to establish a program of grants to State and local governments for fuel conservation projects; (2) authorize the Secretary to make grants for fuel cell bus technology projects; (3) direct the Secretary to establish a Conserve By Bicycling pilot program for projects to encourage the use of bicycles in place of motor vehicles; (4) require environmental impact statements for Federal-aid highway and transit projects to consider energy impacts as an environmental project consequence; and (5) direct the Secretary to establish a specified public-private research partnership dedicated to advancement of railroad technology, efficiency, and safety owned by the Federal Railroad Administration and operated in the private sector.

Amends Federal transportation law to direct: (1) the Secretary to establish a pilot clean airport bus replacement and fleet expansion grant program; and (2) the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to establish a public-private research partnership to develop a clean ground demonstrator engine utilizing specified National Aeronautics and Space Administration-developed technologies.

Directs the Secretary to establish a public-private research partnership to develop and demonstrate technologies that increase fuel economy, reduce emissions, and lower costs of marine transportation, as well as the efficiency of intermodal transfers.

Directs the Secretary of the Army to study and report to Congress on the potential for reduced fossil fuel consumption through an increase in U.S. hydropower capabilities.

Encourages specified adjacent States to continue to prohibit off-shore drilling in the Great Lakes for oil and gas, and other adjacent States and the Canadian Province of Ontario to prohibit such drilling.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to exclude from gross income as a qualifying transportation fringe benefit a commuting allowance of \$75 per month for individuals who bicycle, carpool, or car-share to work.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 10, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology.
- **Apr 2, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Apr 2, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
- **Apr 2, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- **Apr 2, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines.
- **Apr 2, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.
- **Apr 2, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads.
- **Apr 2, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy.
- **Apr 2, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics.
- **Apr 1, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
- **Apr 1, 2003:** Executive Comment Requested from Interior.
- **Mar 27, 2003:** Introduced in House
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- **Mar 27, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E604-606)
- **Mar 27, 2003:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Science, Ways and Means, Resources, International Relations, and Financial Services, 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.
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