

## S 694

A bill to require the Federal Trade Commission to monitor and investigate gasoline prices under certain circumstances.

**Congress:** 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Energy

**Introduced:** Mar 24, 2003

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Mar 24, 2003)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 24, 2003

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Energy

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 2631	Identical bill	<b>Jul 9, 2004:</b> Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 623.

Requires the Federal Trade Commission to investigate the retail price of gasoline in a State to determine if it is being artificially manipulated if, based on weekly data published by the Energy Information Administration of the Department of Energy, the average price of regular grade gasoline has increased 20 percent or more for at least seven days during any three-month period.

Requires the Commission to: (1) report investigation results to Congress; (2) present such results in a public hearing in the affected State; and (3) cooperate with the Attorney General of the affected State to take appropriate action if it finds market manipulation.

Instructs the Secretary of Energy, within two weeks of notification by the Commission that such increase in gasoline prices is not due to market manipulation, to decide if the Strategic Petroleum Reserve should be used to assure adequate supplies of gasoline.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 24, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 24, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4328)
- **Mar 24, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.