

HR 3978

To authorize the Secretary of Energy to purchase certain essential mineral rights and resolve natural resource damage liability claims.

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Chamber: House

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 13, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 1835	Identical bill	Oct 6, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

States that specified funds authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Energy for the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site (Colorado) shall be available to the Secretary for the purchase of essential mineral rights at Rocky Flats.

Prescribes related conditions under which any natural resource damage liability claim shall be deemed to be satisfied.

Exempts mineral rights purchased under this Act from the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

Amends the Rocky Flats National Wildlife Refuge Act of 2001 to repeal the mandate for a Memorandum of Understanding in connection with the transfer to the Secretary of the Interior of management responsibilities and jurisdiction over Rocky Flats. Repeals, also, the prohibition against any reduction in funds available to the Secretary of Energy for cleanup and closure of Rocky Flats as a result of such transfer.

Revises the composition of the Rocky Flats National Wildlife Refuge and excludes specified lands subject to certain essential mineral rights.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 13, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
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