

HR 5254

Refinery Permit Process Schedule Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Energy

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** NH • **Chamber:** House

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| Rep. Bono, Mary [R-CA-45] | R · CA | | May 2, 2006 |
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| Rep. Kirk, Mark Steven [R-IL-10] | R · IL | | May 2, 2006 |
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| Rep. Pickering, Charles W. "Chip" [R-MS-3] | R · MS | | May 2, 2006 |
| Rep. Pitts, Joseph R. [R-PA-16] | R · PA | | May 2, 2006 |
| Rep. Porter, Jon C. [R-NV-3] | R · NV | | May 2, 2006 |
| Rep. Shimkus, John [R-IL-19] | R · IL | | May 2, 2006 |
| Rep. Sullivan, John [R-OK-1] | R · OK | | May 2, 2006 |
| Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6] | R · MI | | May 2, 2006 |
| Rep. Istook, Ernest J., Jr. [R-OK-5] | R · OK | | May 3, 2006 |
| Rep. Musgrave, Marilyn N. [R-CO-4] | R · CO | | May 3, 2006 |
| Rep. Renzi, Rick [R-AZ-1] | R · AZ | | May 3, 2006 |
| Rep. Souder, Mark E. [R-IN-3] | R · IN | | May 3, 2006 |
| Rep. Reichert, David G. [R-WA-8] | R · WA | | Jun 6, 2006 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Armed Services Committee | House | Referred to | May 26, 2006 |
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Referred to | May 2, 2006 |
| Energy and Natural Resources Committee | Senate | Hearings By (full committee) | Jul 13, 2006 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Energy

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|--------------|----------------------|--|
| 109 HRES 842 | Procedurally related | Jun 7, 2006: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection. |

Summary (as of Jun 7, 2006)

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

- Refinery Permit Process Schedule Act - Authorizes the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), upon the request of a state governor, to provide financial assistance to hire additional personnel to assist the state with expertise in fields relevant to consideration of federal refinery authorizations.
- Requires a federal agency responsible for refinery authorization to provide, upon the request of a state governor, technical, legal, or other nonfinancial assistance to facilitate state consideration of such authorizations.
- Directs the President to appoint a federal coordinator to facilitate such authorizations.
- Requires the coordinator, upon the request of an applicant seeking a federal refinery authorization, to establish a memorandum of agreement, executed by relevant federal and state agencies, setting forth the most expeditious coordinated schedule possible for completion of all such authorizations.
- Grants the U.S. District Court for the district in which the proposed refinery is located exclusive jurisdiction over any civil action for the review of the failure of an agency or official to act on a federal refinery authorization in accordance with the schedule established pursuant to the memorandum of agreement. Requires expedited review of the civil action.
- Instructs the President to designate at least three closed military installations as potentially suitable for the construction of a refinery. Requires that at least one such site be designated as potentially suitable for construction of a refinery to refine biomass in order to produce biofuel.
- Requires the redevelopment authority, in preparing or revising the redevelopment plan for each such installation, to consider the feasibility and practicability of siting a refinery on it.
- Amends the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to repeal its requirements for refinery revitalization.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 13, 2006:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held.
- **Jun 8, 2006:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Jun 7, 2006:** Rule H. Res. 842 passed House.
- **Jun 7, 2006:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 842. (consideration: CR H3467-3479)
- **Jun 7, 2006:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 5254 with 1 hour of general debate. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit. Measure will be considered read. Bill is closed to amendments.
- **Jun 7, 2006:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 5254.
- **Jun 7, 2006:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule. (consideration: CR H3478)
- **Jun 7, 2006:** Mr. Boucher moved to recommit with instructions to Energy and Commerce.
- **Jun 7, 2006:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Boucher motion to recommit with instructions. The motion seeks to strike all after the enacting clause and insert a section titled "Strategic Refinery Reserve", and a section titled "Refinery Closing Reports."
- **Jun 7, 2006:** On motion to recommit with instructions Failed by recorded vote: 195 - 223 (Roll no. 231). (consideration: CR H3476-3478; text: CR H3477)
- **Jun 7, 2006:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 238 - 179 (Roll no. 232).(text: CR H3467-3468)
- **Jun 7, 2006:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 7, 2006:** On passage Passed by recorded vote: 238 - 179 (Roll no. 232). (text: CR H3467-3468)
- **May 26, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Readiness.
- **May 25, 2006:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 842 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 5254 with 1 hour of general debate. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit. Measure will be considered read. Bill is closed to amendments.
- **May 3, 2006:** Mr. Barton (TX) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **May 3, 2006:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1999-2007; text of measure as introduced: CR H1999-2000)
- **May 3, 2006:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5254.
- **May 3, 2006:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **May 3, 2006:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H2031-2032)
- **May 3, 2006:** Failed of passage/not agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 237 - 188 (Roll no. 116).
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- **May 2, 2006:** Introduced in House
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- **May 2, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality.
- **May 2, 2006:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Armed 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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