

Bill Fact Sheet – December 5, 2025 https://legilist.com Bill page: https://legilist.com/bill/110/s/3019

# S 3019

Oil Shale and Tar Sands Leasing Act of 2008

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Energy
Introduced: May 14, 2008

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (May 14, 2008)

Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/110th-congress/senate-bill/3019

## **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Salazar, Ken [D-CO]

Party: Democratic • State: CO • Chamber: Senate

## Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 14, 2008

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Energy

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

Oil Shale and Tar Sands Leasing Act of 2008 - Amends the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to direct the Secretary of the Interior to: (1) report to Congress on a commercial leasing program for oil shale and tar sands; and (2) arrange with the National Academy of Sciences to assess for a report to Congress the environmental and commercial framework for oil shale and tar sands development.

Authorizes the senior executive of an affected state or local governmental unit to submit recommendations to the Secretary with respect to size, timing, or location of either a proposed lease sale, or a proposed development and production plan.

Requires an environmental impact statement prior to: (1) any lease sale under the commercial leasing program under this Act; and (2) authorization, on a site-specific basis, of development activity on leased land.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- May 14, 2008: Introduced in Senate
- May 14, 2008: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.