

HR 5547

Consumer Protection and Cost Accountability Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 6, 2008

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 2660	Identical bill	Feb 25, 2008: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1126)

Consumer Protection and Cost Accountability Act - Amends the Federal Power Act to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to consider whether a rate or charge made, demanded, or received by a Transmission Organization (TO) would enable the TO to provide or facilitate reliable service to consumers at the lowest reasonable cost.

Instructs FERC, in determining whether a TO filing to establish or change a rate or charge is consistent with specified requirements, to consider whether the rate or charge would: (1) provide consumer benefits that outweigh any anticipated costs to consumers as demonstrated by a cost-benefit analysis submitted by the TO; or (2) have only a de minimis impact upon the total delivered costs to the consumer.

Directs FERC to ensure that each TO is subject to biennial, independent audits.

### **Actions Timeline**

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