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HR 6256

Responsible Ownership of Public Lands Act

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment. (Jul 1, 2008)

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Rep. Tierney, John F. [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Jun 26, 2008
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 12, 2008
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 12, 2008
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 12, 2008
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 1, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 3133	Related bill	Jun 12, 2008: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Summary (as of Jun 12, 2008)

Responsible Ownership of Public Land Act - Directs the Secretary of the Interior to establish an annual production incentive fee for federal onshore and offshore lands subject to a lease for production of oil or natural gas under which production is not occurring.

Prescribes the fee amount for each acre of land from which oil or natural gas is produced for less than 90 days in a calendar year.

Establishes the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Fund to serve as depository for fees received under this Act.

Enumerates energy programs to be funded with such fees, including: (1) low-income home energy assistance; (2) advanced vehicles research, development, and demonstration; (3) new technologies to improve the energy efficiency of and reduce greenhouse gas emissions from buildings; (4) energy storage systems to support electric drive vehicles, stationary applications, and electricity transmission and distribution; (5) next-generation wind turbines; (6) weatherization assistance low income housing; and (7) wind and solar energy research and development.

Actions Timeline

- Jul 1, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.
- Jun 12, 2008: Introduced in House
- Jun 12, 2008: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1217)
- Jun 12, 2008: Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Science and Technology, Energy and Commerce, and Education and Labor, 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.