

# HR 6717

Emergency Energy Cut the Red Tape Now Act of 2008

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Chamber: House Policy Area: Energy Introduced: Jul 31, 2008

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### **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 3, 2008
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 31, 2008
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 5, 2008

#### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Energy

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 6463	Related bill	Jul 14, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
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**Summary** (as of Jul 31, 2008)

Emergency Energy Cut the Red Tape Now Act of 2008 - Declares without force or effect all: (1) federal prohibitions against the leasing of federal Outer Continental Shelf, Bureau of Land Management, or National Forest lands or federal submerged lands for exploration, development, or production of oil, gas, or oil shale; (2) federal withdrawals of such lands from such leasing; or (3) federal prohibitions against the expenditure of federal funds for such leasing.

Authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to waive the application of any federal law that requires a permit to engage in drilling for oil or gas under a lease of federal lands or federal submerged lands during any period in which the most recent spot market price for West Texas Intermediate crude oil at the domestic spot market at Cushing, Oklahoma, is less than \$100 per barrel. Requires such a waiver during any period in which the most recent spot price is greater than \$100 per barrel.

Requires the Department of Energy to act as the lead agency to coordinate all applicable federal refinery authorizations and related environmental reviews with respect to a designated refinery.

Requires each federal and state agency or official required to provide a federal refinery authorization to cooperate with the Secretary of Energy and comply with deadlines the Secretary establishes.

Requires the Secretary to establish a schedule for all federal refinery authorizations with respect to a designated refinery.

Requires the Secretary to approve an application for a federal refinery authorization within 30 days after any failure of a federal or state administrative agency or official to complete an approval proceeding in accordance with the schedule established by the Secretary.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Oct 3, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.
- Aug 5, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
- Jul 31, 2008: Introduced in House
- Jul 31, 2008: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H7634)
- Jul 31, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality.
- Jul 31, 2008: Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Agriculture, 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.