Bill Fact Sheet – December 5, 2025 https://legilist.com Bill page: https://legilist.com/bill/110/hr/810

# HR 810

Protecting Communities from Power Line Abuse Act

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House Policy Area: Energy Introduced: Feb 5, 2007

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality. (Feb 6, 2007)

Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/110th-congress/house-bill/810

# **Sponsor**

Name: Rep. Hinchey, Maurice D. [D-NY-22]

Party: Democratic • State: NY • Chamber: House

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	<b>Date Joined</b>
Rep. Arcuri, Michael A. [D-NY-24]	$D \cdot NY$		Feb 5, 2007
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	$D\cdotAZ$		Feb 5, 2007
Rep. Hall, John J. [D-NY-19]	$D \cdot NY$		Feb 5, 2007
Rep. McHugh, John M. [R-NY-23]	$R \cdot NY$		Feb 5, 2007
Rep. Payne, Donald M. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Jun 21, 2007

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 6, 2007

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

### **Policy Area:**

Energy

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

Protecting Communities from Power Line Abuse Act - Amends the Federal Power Act to repeal provisions regarding: (1) mandatory fair market value compensation for right-of-way acquisitions; (2) transmission facility modifications in accordance with state law; and (3) requirements for coordination of federal authorizations for interstate electric transmission facilities, including authorization to file an appeal with the President regarding denial of an application for such an authorization.

Modifies requirements for acquisition of rights-of-way for electric transmission facilities located on property other than federal or state property. Provides that, if the permit holder cannot acquire by contract, or is unable to agree upon compensation with the owner of the property, the permit holder may acquire the right-of-way in accordance with state law for the state in which the property is located. (Thus repeals current law which allows the permit holder to acquire the-right-of-way through the exercise of eminent domain in a federal district court.)

Requires the length of at least one year for the comment period on an application for a transmission facility permit.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Feb 6, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality.
- Feb 5, 2007: Introduced in House
- Feb 5, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.