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United States-Israel Energy Cooperation Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	D · NM		Mar 12, 2007
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Mar 12, 2007
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		May 2, 2007
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		May 10, 2007
Sen. Conrad, Kent [D-ND]	D · ND		Jun 7, 2007
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Jun 21, 2007
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	R · PA		Jun 22, 2007
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Jul 24, 2007
Sen. Dole, Elizabeth [R-NC]	R · NC		Dec 4, 2007
Sen. Chambliss, Saxby [R-GA]	R · GA		Dec 10, 2007

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	May 22, 2007

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 1838	Related bill	Mar 30, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality.

United States-Israel Energy Cooperation Act - (Sec. 3) Instructs the Secretary of Energy, in implementing the "Agreement between the Department of Energy of the United States of America and the Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure of Israel Concerning Energy Cooperation," to establish a grant program to support research, development, and commercialization of renewable energy or energy efficiency.

Authorizes grants to promote: (1) solar energy; (2) biomass energy; (3) energy efficiency; (4) wind energy; (5) geothermal energy; (6) wave and tidal energy; and (7) advanced battery technology.

Makes eligible for a grant projects that address improved energy efficiency or renewable energy sources, or joint ventures between either: (1) a for-profit business entity, academic institution, National Laboratory, or nonprofit entity in the United States, and one in Israel; or (3) the federal government and the government of Israel.

Directs the Secretary to establish an advisory board to: (1) monitor the grants award process; and (2) provide periodic performance reviews.

Authorizes the Secretary to accept and use funds contributed by any person, government entity, or organization to implement this Act.

Requires a grant recipient, upon project completion, to report to the Secretary: (1) the method by which the recipient used the grant funds; and (2) an evaluation of the success of each project.

Declares that grants shall be awarded only for projects considered to be unclassified by both the United States and Israel.

(Sec. 4) Sunsets the grant program and the advisory committee seven years after enactment of this Act.

(Sec. 5) Requires the Secretary to use specified funds authorized for appropriation under the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to implement this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 17, 2007:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Bingaman with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title. With written report No. 110-176.
- **Sep 17, 2007:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 374.
- **Jul 25, 2007:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **May 22, 2007:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Senate Subcommittee on Energy. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 110-112.
- **Mar 12, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 12, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3001-3002)
- **Mar 12, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.