

## HR 2170

To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a program to provide covered institutions loans for conversion to use of biomass for energy generation.

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 22, 2010

### Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 4227	Related bill	Mar 29, 2010: Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research.

Requires the Secretary of Agriculture to: (1) establish a program to provide zero-interest loans to covered institutions (i.e., an institution of higher education, an elementary or secondary school, or a hospital) for capital costs for converting to the use of biomass for energy generation; and (2) ensure that an institution receiving such a loan will use woody biomass for not less than 75% of the energy generation resulting from such conversion.

Establishes in the Treasury a revolving fund for such program. Requires the Secretary to: (1) deposit amounts received as payment on loans provided under such program into such revolving fund; and (2) make available \$100 million of the funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation to such revolving fund.

#### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 22, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research.
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