

## HR 3247

To establish a social and behavioral sciences research program at the Department of Energy, and for other purposes.

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

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### Sponsor

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Reported by	Jul 21, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Directs the Secretary of Energy to establish a social and behavioral sciences research program to identify and understand social and behavioral factors influencing energy consumption and acceptance and adoption rates of new energy technologies, and to promote the use of the results of social and behavioral research to improve the development and application of energy technologies.

Requires the Secretary to appoint or designate a Director of Social and Behavioral Research to carry out such program.

Requires the Director to: (1) develop a research plan in consultation with the Advisory Committee established by this Act; and (2) review such plan every five years and revise it as appropriate.

Instructs the Secretary to provide grants in support of social and behavioral research.

Requires the Advisory Committee to: (1) advise the Secretary and the Director on priority areas for research; (2) assist the Director in the development of the research plan; and (3) provide other assistance and advice as requested by the Secretary or the Director.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 29, 2009:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 29, 2009:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jul 21, 2009:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 21, 2009:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .
- **Jul 20, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.
- **Jul 17, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 17, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Science and Technology.