

HR 3460

To amend the Clean Air Act to include algae-based biofuel in the renewable fuel program and amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include algae-based biofuel in the cellulosic biofuel producer credit.

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Energy

**Introduced:** Jul 31, 2009

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment. (Sep 8, 2009)

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Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (11 total)

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| Rep. Bono Mack, Mary [R-CA-45]            | R · CA        |      | Jul 31, 2009 |
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| Rep. Issa, Darrell E. [R-CA-49]           | R · CA        |      | Jul 31, 2009 |
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| Rep. Carnahan, Russ [D-MO-3]              | D · MO        |      | Nov 4, 2009  |
| Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]           | D · AZ        |      | Nov 4, 2009  |
| Rep. Slaughter, Louise McIntosh [D-NY-28] | D · NY        |      | Dec 16, 2009 |

Committee Activity

| Committee                     | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Energy and Commerce Committee | House   | Referred to | Sep 8, 2009  |
| Ways and Means Committee      | House   | Referred To | Jul 31, 2009 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Energy

## Related Bills

| Bill       | Relationship | Last Action   |
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| 111 S 1250 | Related bill | <b>Jun 11, 2009:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S6557) |

## Summary (as of Jul 31, 2009)

Amends the Clean Air Act to include algae-based biofuel in the renewable fuel program. Defines "algae-based biofuel," for purposes of such Act, as liquid fuel derived from the biomass of single- or multi-cellular organisms which are inherently aquatic and classified as non-vascular plants and that have lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions that are at least 60% less than the baseline for such emissions.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to: (1) expand the definition of cellulosic biofuel to include algae-based biofuel for purposes of the cellulosic biofuel producer tax credit; and (2) allow accelerated depreciation of property used to produce algae-based biofuel. Defines "algae-based biofuel" as any liquid fuel which is produced from the biomass of an algal organism (i.e., an organism that is primarily aquatic and classified as a non-vascular plant).

## Actions Timeline

- **Sep 8, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.
- **Jul 31, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 31, 2009:** Referred to House Ways and Means
- **Jul 31, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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.
- **Jul 31, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce