

HR 3759

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant market-related contract extensions of certain timber contracts between the Secretary of the Interior and timber purchasers, and for other purposes.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Mar 10, 2010
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Nov 18, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 2791	Related bill	Mar 10, 2010: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 111-565.

Authorizes the Secretary of the Interior, through the Director of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), upon a written request from a timber purchaser, to make a one-time modification to the term of the purchaser's qualifying contract by adding three years to the contract expiration date if the request: (1) is received within 90 days of enactment of this Act; and (2) contains a provision releasing the United States from all liability, including further consideration or compensation, as a result of the modification made to the contract.

Defines qualifying contract as a contract that was awarded during the period beginning on January 1, 2005, and ending on December 31, 2008, that has not been terminated by BLM for the sale of timber from BLM lands for which there is unharvested volume remaining, for which the contract is not a salvage sale, and for which there is not an urgent need to harvest because of deteriorating timber conditions that developed after the contract was awarded.

Requires the Secretary to submit to Congress a report on a plan and timeline for the promulgation of new regulations authorizing BLM to extend and renegotiate timber contracts because of changes in market conditions.

Bars this Act from having the effect of surrendering any claim by the United States against any timber purchaser arising under a timber sale contract, including a qualifying contract, before the date on which the contract's term is adjusted as described in this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 10, 2010:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Energy. Hearings held.
- **Jan 20, 2010:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Jan 19, 2010:** Ms. Bordallo moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jan 19, 2010:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H151-152)
- **Jan 19, 2010:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3759.
- **Jan 19, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H151)
- **Jan 19, 2010:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H151)
- **Jan 19, 2010:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 19, 2010:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 12, 2010:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 111-394.
- **Jan 12, 2010:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 231.
- **Nov 18, 2009:** Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands Discharged.
- **Nov 18, 2009:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Nov 18, 2009:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Nov 5, 2009:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Oct 13, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.
- **Oct 8, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 8, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.