

S 536

A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to modify the definition of the term "renewable biomass".

Congress: 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Environmental Protection

Introduced: Mar 5, 2009

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (text of measure as introd

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2834) (Mar 5, 2009)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]

Party: Democratic • **State:** OR • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR] | D · OR | | Apr 20, 2009 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Environment and Public Works Committee | Senate | Referred To | Mar 5, 2009 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 5, 2009)

Amends the Clean Air Act to revise the definition of "renewable biomass" to include: (1) slash and precommercial sized thinnings harvested in environmentally sustainable quantities from National Forest System land or public land, other than components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, wilderness study areas, inventoried roadless areas and all unroaded areas of at least 5,000 acres, old growth stands, components of the National Landscape Conservation System, and national monuments; and (2) biomass obtained on land in any ownership from the immediate vicinity of any building, camp, or public infrastructure facility (including roads) at risk from wildfire.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 5, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 5, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2833-2834)
- **Mar 5, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2834)