

## HR 695

To provide for a green building certification program as part of the Energy Star program.

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Energy

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### Sponsor

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### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 27, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Energy

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary

(as of Jan 26, 2009)

Requires the Secretary of Energy to: (1) expand the Energy Star program to include the certification of buildings as green buildings; and (2) study and make recommendations concerning the streamlining of the certification process, development of an online certification program, and design of a program allowing certification by those without green building expertise.

Defines "green building" as a building constructed taking into account sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection, indoor environmental quality, life-cycle concerns of building materials (including emissions and environmental impact), and transit and density-oriented development.

Requires a report to Congress setting forth the design of the expanded program.

## **Actions Timeline**

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