

## S 995

### Renewable Energy Permitting Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Energy

**Introduced:** May 7, 2009

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (May 7, 2009)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-bill/995>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Ensign, John [R-NV]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** NV • **Chamber:** Senate

## Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	D · NV		May 7, 2009

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 7, 2009

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Energy

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 2362	Identical bill	May 18, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.

## **Summary** (as of May 7, 2009)

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Renewable Energy Permitting Act of 2009 - Directs the Secretary of the Interior to establish and carry out a pilot program in FY2009-FY2018 to improve federal renewable energy permit coordination.

Provides for the distribution of solar and wind energy rental income collected by the Bureau of Land Management in specified percentages to: (1) certain states in which such income is derived; (2) the Renewable Energy Permit Processing Improvement Fund; and (3) the Solar Energy Land Reclamation, Restoration, and Mitigation Fund. Authorizes the Secretary to use amounts in such Funds for processing renewable energy permits and for reclaiming and restoring public land used for the production of solar energy.

Amends the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to eliminate the five year limitation on the deposit and use of lease revenues under the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 7, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
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