

## HR 2994

### Marine and Hydrokinetic Renewable Energy Promotion Act of 2011

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Energy

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#### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Inslee, Jay [D-WA-1]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** WA • **Chamber:** House

#### Cosponsors (11 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-19]	D · FL		Sep 21, 2011
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Sep 21, 2011
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-21]	D · NY		Oct 4, 2011
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Oct 5, 2011
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Oct 5, 2011
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Oct 12, 2011
Rep. Capps, Lois [D-CA-23]	D · CA		Oct 12, 2011
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Oct 12, 2011
Rep. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Nov 14, 2011
Rep. Michaud, Michael H. [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Nov 14, 2011
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Sep 19, 2012

#### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 26, 2011
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 5, 2011

#### Subjects & Policy Tags

##### Policy Area:

Energy

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 630	Related bill	Jul 11, 2011: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 98.

## Summary (as of Sep 21, 2011)

Marine and Hydrokinetic Renewable Energy Promotion Act of 2011 - Amends the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to require the program of marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy technology research, development, demonstration, and commercial application to: (1) apply advanced systems engineering and system integration methods to identify critical interfaces and develop open standards for marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy; (2) transfer the resulting environmental data to industry stakeholders as public information through published interface definitions, standards, and demonstration projects; and (3) develop incentives for industry to comply with such standards.

Requires the Secretary of Energy (DOE) to award competitive grants to support modifying or constructing four or more geographically dispersed marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy technology research, development, and demonstration test facilities for the demonstration of multiple technologies in actual operating environments. Requires the Secretary to give preference to existing facilities and National Marine Renewable Energy Research, Development, and Demonstration Centers.

Renames such Centers as the "National Marine and Hydrokinetic Renewable Energy Research, Development, and Demonstration Centers" and expands their research and clearinghouse duties to include hydrokinetic as well as marine renewable energy research. Authorizes such Centers to serve as technology test facilities.

Requires the Secretary to establish a marine-based energy device verification program to provide a bridge from the marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy capture device design and development efforts underway across the industry to commercial deployment of such devices.

Requires the Secretary to establish a grant program to: (1) advance the development of marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy; (2) help fund the costs of environmental analysis affecting the deployment of marine hydrokinetic devices; (3) help eligible entities to collect the types of environmental data that are required when working in a public resource, monitor the impacts of demonstration projects, and make the resulting information available for dissemination to aid future projects; and (4) help fund the cost of advancing renewable marine and hydrokinetic technologies in ocean and riverine environments from demonstration projects to development and deployment.

Authorizes appropriations for marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy technologies through FY2013.

## Actions Timeline

- **Sep 19, 2012:** PERMISSION TO BE ADDED AS A COSPONSOR - Ms. Bonamici asked unanimous consent that she be added as a cosponsor of H.R. 2994 since the original sponsor is no longer a Member of Congress. Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 5, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.
- **Sep 26, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power.
- **Sep 23, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1716)
- **Sep 21, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 21, 2011:** Referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, 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.