

## S 3459

Department of Energy High-End Computing Improvement Act of 2012

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Energy

**Introduced:** Jul 31, 2012

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (text of measure as introd

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5734-5735) (Jul 31, 2012)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

| Cosponsor                         | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]      | R · TN        |      | Jul 31, 2012 |
| Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]    | D · IL        |      | Jul 31, 2012 |
| Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE] | D · DE        |      | Sep 12, 2012 |
| Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]            | D · OR        |      | Sep 12, 2012 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                              | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Energy and Natural Resources Committee | Senate  | Referred To | Jul 31, 2012 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Energy

### Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship | Last Action  |
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| 112 HR 6454 | Related bill | <b>Oct 10, 2012:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment. |

Department of Energy High-End Computing Improvement Act of 2012 - Renames the Department of Energy High-End Computing Revitalization Act of 2004 as the Department of Energy High-End Computing Act of 2012.

Defines "exascale computing" as computing through the use of a computing machine that performs near or above 10 to the 18th power floating point operations per second.

Directs the Secretary of Energy (DOE) to: (1) conduct a research program to develop exascale computing machines to promote DOE missions; (2) coordinate the development of such machines across all applicable DOE agencies; and (3) implement the program through an integration of application, computer science, and computer hardware architecture using public-private partnerships to ensure that exascale computing machines are capable of solving DOE target applications and scientific problems.

Authorizes appropriations for FY2013-FY2015.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 31, 2012:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 31, 2012:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5734)
- **Jul 31, 2012:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5734-5735)