

## HR 5745

End Polluter Welfare Act of 2012

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Energy

**Introduced:** May 15, 2012

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade. (Jul 11, 2012)

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### Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Jun 1, 2012
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Jun 1, 2012
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	May 30, 2012
Appropriations Committee	House	Referred To	May 15, 2012
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 18, 2012
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 11, 2012
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	May 15, 2012
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	May 23, 2012
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 18, 2012
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	May 16, 2012
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Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	May 15, 2012

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Energy

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 3080	Identical bill	<b>May 10, 2012:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

End Polluter Welfare Act of 2012 - Amends the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act and the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to repeal the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to reduce or eliminate royalty payments for oil and natural gas leases in the Outer Continental Shelf.

Amends the Mineral Leasing Act to increase minimum royalty payments for coal, oil, and natural gas leases.

Repeals the program for ultra-deepwater and unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resource exploration and production.

Amends the Oil Pollution Act to eliminate the limitation on liability for offshore facilities and pipeline operators for oil spills.

Rescinds all unobligated balances made available to the World Bank, the Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC), the Export-Import Bank, the Advanced Research Projects Agency in the Department of Defense (DOD), and other international financing entities to carry out any project that supports coal, oil, or natural gas.

Terminates the Office of Fossil Energy Research and Development in the Department of Energy (DOE) and the authority to carry out any of its programs.

Amends the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to eliminate from the categories of projects eligible for loan guarantees for innovative technologies: (1) projects involving advanced fossil energy technology, and (2) and crude oil refineries.

Prohibits the Secretary of Agriculture from making loans under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to carry out projects that will use coal, oil, or natural gas.

Prohibits the use of Department of Transportation (DOT) funds to award any grant or other direct assistance to any rail or port project that transports coal, oil, or natural gas.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to limit or repeal provisions allowing tax incentives for investment in fossil fuels.

Increases the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund financing rate.

Imposes a 13% tax on the removal price of any taxable crude oil or natural gas from the Outer Continental Shelf in the Gulf of Mexico.

Designates the Powder River Basin in southeast Montana and northeast Wyoming as a coal producing region.

Eliminates accelerated depreciation for property that is receiving a subsidy for fossil fuel production.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 11, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade.
- **Jun 18, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.
- **May 30, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry.
- **May 23, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
- **May 18, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power.
- **May 16, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- **May 16, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.
- **May 15, 2012:** Introduced in House
- **May 15, 2012:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Natural Resources, Science, Space, and Technology, Energy and Commerce, Agriculture, Appropriations, Financial Services, and Foreign Affairs, 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.

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