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Use It or Lose It Act of 2011

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Energy

**Introduced:** Mar 16, 2011

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (Mar 16, 2011)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]

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

### Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Mar 16, 2011
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 16, 2011
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Mar 16, 2011
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Mar 16, 2011
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Mar 16, 2011
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 16, 2011
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 17, 2011
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Mar 17, 2011
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Mar 28, 2011
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	D · WV		Mar 30, 2011

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 16, 2011

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Energy

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Mar 16, 2011)

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Use It or Lose It Act of 2011 - Requires holders of leases authorizing exploration and production of oil or natural gas to develop them diligently in order to ensure timely production from the lease.

Amends the Mineral Leasing Act and the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to require a lessee, as a condition of such a lease, to pay an annual fee of \$4 per acre on the acres covered by a non-producing lease.

Directs the Secretary to issue regulations that: (1) prescribe requirements and benchmarks for diligent oil and gas development to produce oil and gas from each lease to the maximum extent practicable during the primary term of the lease, and (2) require each leaseholder to submit a diligent development plan describing how the lessee will meet such benchmarks.

## Actions Timeline

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