

HR 254

Bonneville Unit Clean Hydropower Facilitation Act

Congress: 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Energy

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Current Status: Became Public Law No: 113-20.

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Law: 113-20 (Enacted Jul 18, 2013)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Chaffetz, Jason [R-UT-3]

Party: Republican • **State:** UT • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Budget Committee	House	Discharged From	Apr 9, 2013
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Mar 20, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Energy

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 26	Identical bill	Jun 20, 2013: Held at the desk.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Bonneville Unit Clean Hydropower Facilitation Act - Declares that, in order to facilitate hydropower development on the Diamond Fork System (Utah), a certain amount of reimbursable costs allocated to project power in the Power Appendix of the October 2004 Supplement to the 1988 Bonneville Unit Definite Plan Report shall be considered final costs, as well as specified costs in excess of the total maximum repayment obligation, subject to the same terms and conditions.

States that: (1) this Act does not obligate the Western Area Power Administration to purchase or market any of the power produced by the Diamond Fork power plant; and (2) none of the costs associated with development of transmission facilities to transmit power from the Diamond Fork power plant shall be assigned to power for the purpose of Colorado River Storage Project ratemaking.

Prohibits any hydroelectric power generation or transmission facility on the Diamond Fork System from being financed or refinanced with any obligation: (1) whose interest enjoys federal tax-exempt status; or (2) which enjoys certain federal tax credits.

Directs the Secretary of the Interior to report to certain congressional committees if hydropower production on the Diamond Fork System has not commenced 24 months after enactment of this Act, stating the reasons such production has not commenced, and presenting a detailed timeline for future hydropower production.

Prohibits the use of Western Area Power Administration borrowing authority under the Hoover Power Plant Act of 1984 to fund any study or construction of transmission facilities developed as a result of this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 18, 2013:** Signed by President.
- **Jul 18, 2013:** Became Public Law No: 113-20.
- **Jul 12, 2013:** Presented to President.
- **Jul 11, 2013:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jul 10, 2013:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S5623)
- **Jul 10, 2013:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S5623)
- **Apr 10, 2013:** Received in the Senate, read twice.
- **Apr 9, 2013:** Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 113-25, Part I.
- **Apr 9, 2013:** Committee on Budget discharged.
- **Apr 9, 2013:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 13.
- **Apr 9, 2013:** Mr. Wittman moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Apr 9, 2013:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1841-1842)
- **Apr 9, 2013:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 254.
- **Apr 9, 2013:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Apr 9, 2013:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H1845)
- **Apr 9, 2013:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 400 - 4 (Roll no. 90).(text: CR H1841-1842)
- **Apr 9, 2013:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 400 - 4 (Roll no. 90). (text: CR H1841-1842)
- **Apr 9, 2013:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 20, 2013:** Subcommittee on Water and Power Discharged.
- **Mar 20, 2013:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 20, 2013:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **Mar 5, 2013:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jan 31, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.
- **Jan 15, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 15, 2013:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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.