

HR 5176

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to retire coal preference right lease applications for which the Secretary has made an affirmative commercial quantities determination, and for other purposes.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Nov 19, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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

Authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to retire any coal preference right lease application for which an affirmative commercial quantities determination has been made, by issuing bidding rights in exchange for relinquishment of the application, including payment to the relevant state of 50% of the dollar amount of any bidding right subsequently used in lieu of any monetary payment of a bonus in a coal lease sale or of rental or royalty under a federal coal lease.

Requires the Secretary to make such payments from revenues received under federal mineral leases.

Declares such bidding rights to be fully transferable to any other person.

Terminates a bidding right five years from its date of issue, not counting any period in which exercise of the bidding right is precluded by temporary injunctive relief granted under, or administrative, legislative, or judicial suspension of, the federal coal leasing program.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 22, 2014:** Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 113-704.
- **Dec 22, 2014:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 535.
- **Nov 19, 2014:** Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources Discharged.
- **Nov 19, 2014:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Nov 19, 2014:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 17, 2014:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jul 30, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
- **Jul 23, 2014:** Introduced in House
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