

HR 555

BLM Live Internet Auctions Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Energy

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Johnson, Bill [R-OH-6]

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

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bishop, Rob [R-UT-1]	R · UT		Feb 6, 2013
Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Feb 6, 2013
Rep. Thornberry, Mac [R-TX-13]	R · TX		Feb 12, 2013
Rep. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND-At Large]	R · ND		Mar 4, 2013
Rep. Gosar, Paul A. [R-AZ-4]	R · AZ		Jul 23, 2013

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Jul 24, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Energy

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 2	Related bill	Nov 17, 2014: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 601.
113 S 2592	Related bill	Jul 21, 2014: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4646-4647)
113 HR 4899	Related bill	Jun 26, 2014: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
113 HR 4304	Related bill	Jun 13, 2014: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.
113 S 1401	Related bill	Jul 31, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

BLM Live Internet Auctions Act - Amends the Mineral Leasing Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct onshore oil and gas lease sales through Internet-based live bidding methods.

Requires each individual Internet-based lease sale to conclude within seven days.

Directs the Secretary to analyze the first 10 such lease sales, including estimates of: (1) increases or decreases in such lease sales, compared to sales conducted by oral bidding; and (2) the total cost or savings to the Department of the Interior as a result of such sales, compared to sales conducted by oral bidding.

Requires the report to evaluate the demonstrated or expected effectiveness of different structures for lease sales which may provide an opportunity to better maximize bidder participation, ensure the highest return to the federal taxpayers, minimize opportunities for fraud or collusion, and ensure the security and integrity of the leasing process.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 10, 2013:** Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 113-201.
- **Sep 10, 2013:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 148.
- **Jul 24, 2013:** Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources Discharged.
- **Jul 24, 2013:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 24, 2013:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **May 22, 2013:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 21, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
- **Feb 6, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 6, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.