

HR 1268

Energy Efficient Government Technology Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Kinzinger, Adam [R-IL-16]	R · IL		Mar 4, 2015
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		Mar 4, 2015
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Mar 4, 2015
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Mar 4, 2015
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Nov 19, 2015

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 6, 2015
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 15, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Energy

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 8	Related bill	Dec 7, 2015: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
114 S 720	Related bill	Sep 9, 2015: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 210.
114 HR 2177	Related bill	Aug 18, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy.
114 S 1706	Related bill	Jul 7, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
114 HR 873	Related bill	Feb 13, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power.
114 S 128	Related bill	Jan 8, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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(Sec. 2) This bill amends the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to require each federal agency to coordinate with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the Department of Energy (DOE), and the Environmental Protection Agency to develop an implementation strategy for the maintenance, purchase, and use by the agency of energy-efficient and energy-saving information technologies. The OMB must establish performance goals for evaluating the efforts of agencies in improving the maintenance, purchase, and use of the technology. The executive branch's Chief Information Officers Council must recommend best practices for attaining the performance goals, including consideration of the use of energy savings performance and utility energy services contracting.

Agencies must include in their annual government efficiency status reports a description of those energy-saving efforts and their results, and the OMB must begin to include in its annual government efficiency report a description of agencies' efforts and results.

(Sec. 3) DOE must make available to the public an update to the Report to Congress on Server and Data Center Energy Efficiency published on August 2, 2007, that includes analyses of the impact of newer information technologies and computing methods and water usage by data centers.

In collaboration with key stakeholders and the OMB, DOE must also: (1) maintain a data center energy practitioner program that leads to the certification of energy practitioners qualified to evaluate the energy usage and efficiency opportunities in federal data centers; and (2) establish an open data initiative to make information about federal data center energy usage available and accessible while encouraging data center innovation, optimization, and consolidation.

In collaboration with key stakeholders, DOE must: (1) participate in efforts to harmonize global specifications and metrics for data center energy and water efficiency, and (2) facilitate the development of a metric for data center energy efficiency.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 15, 2016:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Mar 14, 2016:** Mr. Whitfield moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Mar 14, 2016:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1305-1307)
- **Mar 14, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1268.
- **Mar 14, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H1305-1306)
- **Mar 14, 2016:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H1305-1306)
- **Mar 14, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Feb 25, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Feb 25, 2016:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Feb 24, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 6, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power.
- **Mar 4, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 4, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.