

HR 35

Low-Dose Radiation Research Act of 2015

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Jan 6, 2015
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Rep. Smith, Lamar [R-TX-21]	R · TX		Jan 6, 2015

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Jun 9, 2015
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 6, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 1806	Related bill	May 21, 2015: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

### Low-Dose Radiation Research Act of 2015

Requires the Director of the Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Science to carry out a research program on low dose radiation to enhance the scientific understanding of and reduce uncertainties associated with the effects of exposure to low dose radiation.

Requires the Director to enter into an agreement with the National Academies to conduct a study assessing the current status and development of a long-term strategy for low dose radiation research.

Requires such study to:

- identify current scientific challenges for understanding the long-term effects of ionizing radiation,
- assess the status of current low dose radiation research,
- formulate overall scientific goals for the future of low-dose radiation research,
- recommend a long-term strategic and prioritized research agenda to address scientific research goals for overcoming the identified scientific challenges in coordination with other research efforts,
- define the essential components of a research program that would address this research agenda within the universities and the National Laboratories, and
- assess the effectiveness of such a program.

Directs the Secretary of Energy to deliver to Congress a five-year research plan that responds to the study's findings and recommendations and identifies and prioritizes research needs.

Makes DOE's limitation on human research inapplicable to research under this Act.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Jun 9, 2015:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 114-344.
- **Jan 8, 2015:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Jan 7, 2015:** Mr. Smith (TX) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jan 7, 2015:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H82-83)
- **Jan 7, 2015:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 35.
- **Jan 7, 2015:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H82)
- **Jan 7, 2015:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H82)
- **Jan 7, 2015:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 6, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 6, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.