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Bureau of Reclamation Transparency Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]

Party: Republican • **State:** WY • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Feb 26, 2015

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jun 18, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 2902	Related bill	Sep 15, 2016: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 631.
114 S 2012	Related bill	Sep 8, 2016: Conference held.
114 HR 1107	Related bill	Dec 3, 2015: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 279.

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(Sec. 4) Directs the Department of the Interior to submit to Congress, make publicly available, and biennially update an Asset Management Report that describes the Bureau of Reclamation's efforts to maintain in a reliable manner all reserved works (buildings, structures, facilities, or equipment owned by the Bureau for which operations and maintenance are performed by Bureau employees or through a contract with the Bureau) at Reclamation facilities (infrastructure assets that are owned by the Bureau at each Reclamation project owned by the Bureau) and to standardize and streamline data reporting and processes across regions and areas for the purpose of maintaining such works.

Requires such Report to include: (1) a detailed assessment of major repair and rehabilitation needs for all such works; and (2) an itemized list of major repair and rehabilitation needs of individual Reclamation facilities at each Reclamation project, including a budget level cost estimate of appropriations needed to complete each item and an assignment of a categorical rating for each item consistent with existing uniform categorization systems to inform the annual budget process and agency requirements.

(Sec. 5) Directs Interior to: (1) coordinate with the non-federal entities responsible for the operation and maintenance of transferred works (Reclamation facilities at which operations and maintenance are carried out by a non-federal entity under a formal agreement with the Bureau) in developing reporting requirements for Asset Management Reports regarding major repair and rehabilitation needs for transferred works; and (2) develop and implement a categorical rating system for transferred works.

(Sec. 6) Reduces the maximum amount of the federal share of the cost of the Central Valley Water Recycling Project otherwise available as of the date of enactment of this Act by \$2 million.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 9, 2015:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Murkowski with amendments. With written report No. 114-128.
- **Sep 9, 2015:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 208.
- **Jul 30, 2015:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with amendments favorably.
- **Jun 18, 2015:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Senate Subcommittee on Water and Power. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 114-399.
- **Feb 26, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 26, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.