

## S 858

### Energy Savings Through Public-Private Partnerships Act of 2015

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Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Apr 30, 2015

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### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 1629	Related bill	<b>Mar 27, 2015:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power.

## **Energy Savings Through Public-Private Partnerships Act of 2015**

This bill amends the National Energy Conservation Policy Act to revise requirements for energy savings performance and utility energy service contracts (performance contracts). (These contracts allow federal agencies to work with private contractors on energy efficiency upgrades to federal facilities.)

Each federal facility energy manager must provide an explanation regarding life cycle cost-effective measures that have not been implemented as part of the web-based compliance certification system. (Life cycle costs are the total cost of owning, operating, and maintaining a building over its useful life.)

The Department of Energy must report to the President and Congress on each agency's performance contracts, including their investment value and their energy savings.

The energy conservation measures that may be contained in performance contracts are expanded by including those involving energy consuming devices and required support structures.

Agencies may not limit recognition of operation and maintenance savings associated with energy systems that were modernized or replaced with energy conservation measures and water conservation measures (e.g. lower energy and water bills due to energy efficiency and conservation measures).

Agencies may sell or transfer energy savings and apply the proceeds to fund a performance contract.

The energy savings that may be contained in performance contracts are expanded to include: (1) the use, sale, or transfer of energy incentives, rebates, or credits (including renewable energy credits) from governments or utilities; and (2) any revenue generated from a reduction in energy or water use, more efficient waste recycling, or additional energy generated from more efficient equipment.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 30, 2015:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 114-166.
- **Mar 25, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 25, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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