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A bill to establish a State residential building energy efficiency upgrades loan pilot program.

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Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Mar 26, 2015
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Mar 26, 2015
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 26, 2015
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Mar 26, 2015
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Committee Activity

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 2089	Related bill	Sep 29, 2015: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 241.

This bill amends the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to require the Department of Energy (DOE) to establish a voluntary loan program to provide support to a state, territory, and tribal organization (eligible entity) in establishing or expanding programs that provide financing to residential property owners or tenants (recipient households) for energy efficiency upgrades of residential buildings.

DOE must establish favorable terms for a loan provided to an eligible entity. An eligible entity shall use a loan to establish or expand one or more financing programs that: (1) enable recipient households to undertake residential energy efficiency upgrades, (2) may require an outlay of capital by recipient households, and (3) incorporate a consumer-friendly repayment approach.

To offset the cost of this bill, the bill amends the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to decrease the authorization of appropriations for the Zero Net Energy Commercial Buildings Initiative for FY2016-FY2018.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 30, 2015:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 114-166.
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- **Mar 26, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.