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Fair RATES Act

Congress: 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Energy

Introduced: Jan 23, 2017

Current Status: Held at the desk.

Latest Action: Held at the desk. (Sep 5, 2018)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/186>

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Jan 23, 2017
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Jan 23, 2017
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Jan 23, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Oct 3, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Energy

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 587	Related bill	Jan 24, 2017: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Summary (as of Jan 23, 2017)

Fair Ratepayer Accountability, Transparency, and Efficiency Standards Act or the Fair RATES Act

This bill amends the Federal Power Act to permit a party to seek a rehearing and subsequent judicial review of any rate change filed by a public utility that takes effect without the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issuing an order making such change effective. (Public utilities must give FERC and the public a 60-day notice before a proposed rate change can take effect.)

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 5, 2018:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 5, 2018:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 5, 2018:** Held at the desk.
- **Sep 4, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote.(consideration: CR S6031-6032; text CR S6031-6032)
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- **Jun 18, 2018:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Murkowski with an amendment. With written report No. 115-278.
- **Jun 18, 2018:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 469.
- **Mar 8, 2018:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment favorably.
- **Oct 3, 2017:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Energy. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 115-318.
- **Jan 23, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 23, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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