

## S 2449

21st Century Energy Workforce Act of 2018

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### Sponsor

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### Committee Activity

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### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 1460	Related bill	<b>Sep 19, 2017:</b> Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 115-485.
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## **21st Century Energy Workforce Act of 2018**

This bill directs the Department of Energy (DOE) to establish a 21st Century Energy Workforce Advisory Board to develop a strategy for the support and development of a skilled energy workforce.

Based on the board's recommendations, DOE shall establish a clearinghouse to:

- maintain and update information and resources on training and workforce development programs for energy- and manufacturing-related jobs; and
- act as a resource and provide guidance for secondary schools, institutions of higher education (including community colleges and minority-serving institutions), and workforce development, labor management, and industry organizations that would like to develop and implement such related training programs.

DOE shall also establish a pilot program to award grants on a competitive basis to eligible entities for job training programs that lead to an industry-recognized credential.

Grant amounts are limited to \$2 million for any one fiscal year. The federal share of the cost of a job training and education program using a grant shall be up to 65%, while the non-federal share may not be less than 50% cash.

### **Actions Timeline**

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