

HR 3144

To provide for operations of the Federal Columbia River Power System pursuant to a certain operation plan for a specified period of time, and for other purposes.

Congress: 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Water Resources Development

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Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (Apr 26, 2018)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. McMorris Rodgers, Cathy [R-WA-5]

Party: Republican • **State:** WA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Herrera Beutler, Jaime [R-WA-3]	R · WA		Jun 29, 2017
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Jun 29, 2017
Rep. Schrader, Kurt [D-OR-5]	D · OR		Jun 29, 2017
Rep. Walden, Greg [R-OR-2]	R · OR		Jun 29, 2017
Rep. Amodei, Mark E. [R-NV-2]	R · NV		Oct 26, 2017
Rep. Labrador, Raul R. [R-ID-1]	R · ID		Dec 21, 2017
Rep. Gianforte, Greg [R-MT-At Large]	R · MT		Feb 27, 2018
Rep. Gosar, Paul A. [R-AZ-4]	R · AZ		Apr 10, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 26, 2018
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Apr 11, 2018
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 30, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Water Resources Development

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HRES 839	Related bill	Apr 25, 2018: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

(Sec. 2) This bill requires the Bureau of Reclamation, the Bonneville Power Administration, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to operate the Federal Columbia River Power System (FCRPS) in a manner consistent with the document titled "Endangered Species Act Section 7(a)(2) Supplemental Biological Opinion," dated January 17, 2014, until the later of September 30, 2022, or the date upon which a subsequent final biological opinion for FCRPS operations is in effect with no pending further judicial review.

(Sec. 3) Such entities may amend the supplemental opinion and operate the FCRPS accordingly before such date if the entities agree that: (1) the amendments are necessary for public safety or transmission and grid reliability; or (2) the actions, operations, or other requirements that the amendments remove are no longer warranted.

(Sec. 4) No structural modification, action, study, or engineering plan may restrict electrical generation at any FCRPS hydroelectric dam or limit navigation on the Snake River in Washington, Oregon, or Idaho unless authorized by Congress.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 26, 2018:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
- **Apr 25, 2018:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 839. (consideration: CR H3542-3560)
- **Apr 25, 2018:** The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 4, under a structured rule, and H.R. 3144, under a closed rule. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in Part A of the committee report for H.R. 4. The rule provides for 1 hour of general debate for both H.R. 4 and H.R. 3144. The rule provides for one motion to recommit for both bills. And, the rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from April 30, 2018 through May 4, 2018, the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved.
- **Apr 25, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 3144.
- **Apr 25, 2018:** DEBATE - The House resumed with debate on H.R. 3144.
- **Apr 25, 2018:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Apr 25, 2018:** Ms. Jayapal moved to recommit with instructions to the Committee on Natural Resources. (text: CR H3558)
- **Apr 25, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Jayapal motion to recommit with instructions. The instructions contained in the motion seek to require the bill to be reported back to the House with an amendment stating that nothing in this Act shall prohibit the sale of electric power generated by the Federal Columbia River Power System at the lowest possible rate consistent with sound business practices and other factors required by current law.
- **Apr 25, 2018:** The previous question on the motion to recommit with instructions was ordered without objection.
- **Apr 25, 2018:** On motion to recommit with instructions Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 190 - 226 (Roll no. 152).
- **Apr 25, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 225 - 189 (Roll no. 153).(text: CR H3542-3543)
- **Apr 25, 2018:** On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 225 - 189 (Roll no. 153). (text: CR H3542-3543)
- **Apr 25, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 18, 2018:** Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 115-643, Part I.
- **Apr 18, 2018:** Committee on Transportation discharged.
- **Apr 18, 2018:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 492.
- **Apr 11, 2018:** Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans Discharged.
- **Apr 11, 2018:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 11, 2018:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 23 - 17.
- **Oct 12, 2017:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jul 20, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans.
- **Jun 30, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Jun 29, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 29, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.