

## HR 4696

Promoting Hydropower Development at Existing Nonpowered Dams Act

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### Sponsor

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### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 22, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Energy

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 3021	Related bill	<b>Oct 23, 2018:</b> Became Public Law No: 115-270.
115 S 2655	Related bill	<b>Apr 12, 2018:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
115 HR 2872	Related bill	<b>Dec 13, 2017:</b> Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

## **Promoting Hydropower Development at Existing Nonpowered Dams Act**

This bill amends the Federal Power Act to authorize the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to establish an expedited process for issuing and amending licenses and preliminary permits for new hydropower facilities at existing nonpowered dams.

Before licensing the hydropower facility, FERC must assess the safety of existing nonfederal dams and other nonfederal structures.

Licensees of hydropower facility are not required to pay an annual charge for administrative expenses until construction commences.

### **Actions Timeline**

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