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American Mineral Security Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]

Party: Republican • **State:** AK • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (11 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		May 2, 2019
Sen. McSally, Martha [R-AZ]	R · AZ		May 2, 2019
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		May 2, 2019
Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		May 9, 2019
Sen. Jones, Doug [D-AL]	D · AL		Jun 18, 2019
Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Jun 18, 2019
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Jun 18, 2019
Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]	R · WY		Jul 10, 2019
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Jul 10, 2019
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Jul 15, 2019
Sen. Daines, Steve [R-MT]	R · MT		Jul 15, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Reported By	Oct 22, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Energy

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 4299	Related bill	Dec 18, 2020: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 553.
116 S 4775	Related bill	Oct 1, 2020: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 564.
116 S 4324	Related bill	Jul 27, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Oct 22, 2019)

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This bill addresses the availability, development, and production of domestic critical minerals.

The President must coordinate the appropriate agencies to implement U.S. policy regarding critical minerals, including to establish an analytical and forecasting capability for identifying critical mineral market factors so as to avoid supply shortages, mitigate price volatility, and prepare for demand growth and other market shifts.

Among other things, the bill

- provides statutory authority for the U.S. Geological Survey to designate and update every three years a list of critical minerals;
- requires a comprehensive national assessment of every critical mineral;
- directs the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service to complete federal permitting and review processes with maximum efficiency and effectiveness;
- requires the Department of Energy to conduct a program of research and development to promote the production, use, and recycling of critical minerals, and develop alternatives to critical minerals;
- directs the Department of Labor to assess the domestic availability of technically trained personnel with the necessary skill set for critical mineral activities;
- provides for a study to design an interdisciplinary program on critical minerals that will support the critical mineral supply chain and increase domestic critical mineral development;
- establishes a competitive grant program for institutions of higher education to implement integrated critical mineral education, training, and workforce development programs; and
- reauthorizes through FY2029 the National Geological and Geophysical Data Preservation Program.

Actions Timeline

- Oct 22, 2019: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Murkowski with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 116-131.
- Oct 22, 2019: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 251.
- Jul 16, 2019: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- May 14, 2019: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 116-322.
- May 2, 2019: Introduced in Senate
- May 2, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.