

## HR 1616

### European Energy Security and Diversification Act of 2019

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

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**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (Mar 26, 2019)

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#### Sponsor

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

#### Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Mar 7, 2019
Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-15]	D · TX		Mar 7, 2019
Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Mar 7, 2019
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Mar 14, 2019
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Mar 14, 2019
Rep. Wright, Ron [R-TX-6]	R · TX		Mar 14, 2019
Rep. Pence, Greg [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Mar 18, 2019
Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Mar 25, 2019
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Mar 25, 2019

#### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Mar 14, 2019
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 26, 2019

#### Subjects & Policy Tags

##### Policy Area:

International Affairs

#### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 704	Identical bill	Dec 17, 2019: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 331.
116 HR 1453	Related bill	Feb 28, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

## **European Energy Security and Diversification Act of 2019**

This bill directs the Department of State to prioritize assistance to develop energy infrastructure in Europe and Eurasia, in particular for projects involving the European Commission and countries in the region. Assistance shall include political and diplomatic support and funding assistance.

Projects eligible for such assistance include infrastructure for natural gas, electricity transmission, and renewable energy. The State Department shall give preference to projects that (1) improve the capacity to transfer gas and electricity within and between regional countries, (2) have been identified by the European Commission as integral for regional energy security, (3) are expected to enhance energy market integration and transparency, (4) can attract other sources of funding, and (5) can potentially use U.S. goods and services.

The President shall report to Congress annually about U.S. assistance provided under this bill.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 26, 2019:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
- **Mar 25, 2019:** Mr. Sires moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Mar 25, 2019:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2771-2773)
- **Mar 25, 2019:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1616.
- **Mar 25, 2019:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Mar 25, 2019:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H2780-2781)
- **Mar 25, 2019:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 391 - 24 (Roll no. 126).(text: CR H2771-2772)
- **Mar 25, 2019:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 391 - 24 (Roll no. 126). (text: CR H2771-2772)
- **Mar 25, 2019:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 25, 2019:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 14, 2019:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 14, 2019:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 14, 2019:** Committee Agreed to Seek Consideration Under Suspension of the Rules.
- **Mar 7, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 7, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.