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Technology Transitions Act of 2019

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA]

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Oct 23, 2019
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		Dec 5, 2019
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Dec 5, 2019
Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Feb 27, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Nov 6, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Energy

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill addresses technology programs within the Department of Energy (DOE).

Specifically, the bill provides statutory authority for the creation of DOE's Office of Technology Transitions. The office aims to (1) expand the commercialization of DOE's research investments; and (2) focus on commercializing technologies that support DOE's missions, such as reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

In addition, the bill requires DOE to review and report on all of its applied energy research and development programs that focus on researching and developing technologies that reduce such emissions. Under the review, DOE must identify each program with a mission to research and develop technologies that reduce emissions, determine the type of services provided by each program, and determine whether there are written program goals for each program.

DOE must make recommendations on such emission-reduction programs, including recommendations on how to (1) restructure or consolidate overlapping programs, and (2) increase collaboration among federal agencies and stakeholders on emission-reduction technologies.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 17, 2019:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Murkowski with amendments. Without written report.
- **Dec 17, 2019:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 359.
- **Nov 19, 2019:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment favorably.
- **Nov 6, 2019:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Energy. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 116-344.
- **Oct 23, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 23, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.