

HR 2699

Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 2019

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Energy

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (26 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Allen, Rick W. [R-GA-12]	R · GA		May 14, 2019
Rep. Balderson, Troy [R-OH-12]	R · OH		May 14, 2019
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		May 14, 2019
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Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		May 14, 2019
Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]	R · GA		Aug 6, 2019
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Aug 6, 2019
Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		Aug 6, 2019
Rep. Crenshaw, Dan [R-TX-2]	R · TX		Aug 6, 2019
Rep. Flores, Bill [R-TX-17]	R · TX		Aug 6, 2019
Rep. Fulcher, Russ [R-ID-1]	R · ID		Aug 6, 2019
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Aug 6, 2019
Rep. Lipinski, Daniel [D-IL-3]	D · IL		Aug 6, 2019
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Rep. Schrader, Kurt [D-OR-5]	D · OR		Aug 6, 2019
Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		Oct 16, 2019
Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]	R · TX		Oct 18, 2019
Rep. Kinzinger, Adam [R-IL-16]	R · IL		Nov 26, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	May 15, 2019
Budget Committee	House	Referred To	May 14, 2019
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Reported by	Sep 26, 2019
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 3, 2019
Rules Committee	House	Referred To	May 14, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Energy

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 2917	Identical bill	Nov 20, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 2019

This bill addresses the storage and disposal of nuclear waste.

Among other things, the bill

- directs the Department of Energy (DOE) to initiate a program to consolidate and temporarily store commercial spent nuclear fuel during the development, construction, and operation of a permanent nuclear waste repository;
- addresses federal land withdrawal and related management issues, including the permanent withdrawal of specific federal land for repository use by DOE;
- updates the Nuclear Regulatory Commission licensing process and conditions for the permanent repository;
- limits activities relating to developing a separate defense waste repository used for storing high-level radioactive waste and spent nuclear fuel derived from the atomic energy defense activities of DOE;
- authorizes DOE to enter into agreements to provide benefits to state, local, and tribal governments that might host or be affected by facilities related to storing nuclear waste;
- revises the method by which DOE funds its nuclear waste management activities through the collection and usage of the Nuclear Waste Fund;
- creates an Office of Spent Nuclear Fuel within DOE; and
- requires DOE to establish a Stranded Nuclear Waste Task Force to study existing resources and funding for communities that contain stranded nuclear waste and develop economic adjustment plans for such communities.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 20, 2019:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Nov 20, 2019:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Sep 26, 2019:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 26, 2019:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote .
- **Jun 3, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.
- **May 15, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces.
- **May 15, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change.
- **May 14, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **May 14, 2019:** Hearings Held by the Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change Prior to Referral.
- **May 14, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, Armed Services, the Budget, and Rules, 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.

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