

HR 3794

Public Land Renewable Energy Development Act of 2019

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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| Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32] | D · CA | | Mar 2, 2020 |
| Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3] | D · OH | | Dec 2, 2020 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Agriculture Committee | House | Referred to | Aug 9, 2019 |
| Natural Resources Committee | House | Discharged from | Nov 20, 2019 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 HR 2 | Related bill | Jul 20, 2020: Received in the Senate. |
| 116 S 2666 | Related bill | Nov 7, 2019: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 116-346. |

Summary (as of Dec 18, 2020)

Public Land Renewable Energy Development Act of 2019

This bill sets forth provisions regarding development of geothermal, solar, or wind energy on public lands.

The bill directs the Department of the Interior to establish priority areas on covered land (i.e., public land administered by Interior and not excluded under law from the development of geothermal, solar, or wind energy) for geothermal, solar, or wind energy projects. Other areas shall also be considered for the development of renewable energy projects under this bill, consistent with the principles of multiple use.

Interior shall establish a program to improve federal permit coordination with respect to renewable energy projects carried out on covered land.

Interior and the Department of Agriculture shall seek to issue permits that in total authorize the production of at least 25 gigawatts of electricity from geothermal, solar, or wind energy projects by the end of 2025.

The bill provides for the disposition of revenues from the development of wind or solar energy on covered land. The bill establishes the Renewable Energy Resource Conservation Fund to make funds available to federal, state, and tribal agencies for distribution in regions in which renewable energy projects are located on federal land for (1) restoring and protecting fish and wildlife habitat and corridors for affected species and water resources in areas affected by geothermal, solar, or wind energy development; and (2) preserving and improving recreational access to federal land and water in an affected region.

Actions Timeline

- Dec 18, 2020: Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 116-677, Part I.
- Dec 18, 2020: Committee on Agriculture discharged.
- Dec 18, 2020: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 561.
- Nov 20, 2019: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources Discharged.
- Nov 20, 2019: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Nov 20, 2019: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- Aug 9, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry.
- Jul 25, 2019: Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- Jul 17, 2019: Introduced in House
- Jul 17, 2019: Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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.
- Jul 17, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.