

HR 4346

Bonding Reform and Taxpayer Protection Act of 2019

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Energy

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Committee Activity

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| Natural Resources Committee | House | Hearings By (subcommittee) | Sep 24, 2019 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 HR 2 | Related bill | Jul 20, 2020: Received in the Senate. |

Summary (as of Sep 17, 2019)

Bonding Reform and Taxpayer Protection Act of 2019

This bill revises bonding requirements for oil and gas development.

Specifically, the bill increases the amount of bond that oil and gas developers must provide prior to conducting surface-disturbing activities and requires such amounts to adjust every three years for inflation.

The bill also requires the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture to establish uniform standards for all interim and final reclamation plans and not release any bond amounts until the standards have been met by oil and gas developers.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 24, 2019:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Sep 17, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 17, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.
- **Sep 17, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.