

## HR 7781

End Polluter Welfare Act of 2020

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Energy

**Introduced:** Jul 24, 2020

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit. (Sep 3, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/7781>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Omar, Ilhan [D-MN-5]

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

### Cosponsors (15 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Barragan, Nanette Diaz [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Jul 24, 2020
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Jul 24, 2020
Rep. Garcia, Jesus G. "Chuy" [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Jul 24, 2020
Rep. Gomez, Jimmy [D-CA-34]	D · CA		Jul 24, 2020
Rep. Kennedy, Joseph P., III [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Jul 24, 2020
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Jul 24, 2020
Rep. Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Jul 24, 2020
Rep. Pressley, Ayanna [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Jul 24, 2020
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Jul 24, 2020
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Jul 24, 2020
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Sep 15, 2020
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Sep 15, 2020
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2020
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Sep 15, 2020
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Sep 17, 2020

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 3, 2020
Appropriations Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 24, 2020
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 24, 2020
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 24, 2020
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 24, 2020
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 24, 2020
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 21, 2020
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Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 24, 2020
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 27, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 3, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Energy

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 5081	Related bill	Dec 21, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
116 S 4887	Identical bill	Nov 10, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
116 HR 6707	Related bill	May 27, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
116 S 3611	Related bill	May 5, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
116 HR 5914	Related bill	Feb 14, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
116 S 3315	Related bill	Feb 13, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Summary (as of Jul 24, 2020)

### End Polluter Welfare Act of 2020

This bill limits or eliminates certain fossil fuel oil and gas subsidies for oil companies, including by (1) eliminating the authority of the Department of Energy to carry out the Fossil Energy Research and Development Program; (2) expanding the definition of *crude oil* for purposes of the excise tax on petroleum and petroleum products to include any oil derived from a bitumen or bituminous mixture (tar sands), any liquid fuel derived from coal, and any oil derived from kerogen-bearing sources (oil shale); (3) limiting the financial assistance that such companies may receive from programs that provide relief to businesses affected by the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) pandemic; (4) terminating certain tax incentives relating to fossil fuels, including the percentage depletion allowance and capital gains treatment for royalties from coal; and (5) increasing the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund financing rate.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 3, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures.
- **Sep 3, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit.
- **Aug 21, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
- **Aug 21, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.
- **Jul 27, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.
- **Jul 24, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 24, 2020:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, Transportation and Infrastructure, Science, Space, and Technology, Energy and Commerce, Agriculture, Financial Services, the Judiciary, Appropriations, and Foreign Affairs, 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.