

HR 8332

POWER Act of 2020

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-15]

Party: Republican • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Reschenthaler, Guy [R-PA-14]	R · PA		Sep 21, 2020
Rep. Joyce, John [R-PA-13]	R · PA		Sep 22, 2020
Rep. Keller, Fred [R-PA-12]	R · PA		Sep 22, 2020
Rep. Kelly, Mike [R-PA-16]	R · PA		Sep 22, 2020
Rep. Meuser, Daniel [R-PA-9]	R · PA		Sep 22, 2020
Rep. Perry, Scott [R-PA-10]	R · PA		Sep 22, 2020
Rep. Smucker, Lloyd [R-PA-11]	R · PA		Sep 22, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 21, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Energy

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Plugging Orphan Wells and Environmental Restoration Act of 2020 or the POWER Act of 2020

This bill addresses orphaned, abandoned, or idled oil and gas wells on federal, tribal, state, or private lands.

The bill reauthorizes through FY2025 the program to remediate, reclaim, and close orphaned, abandoned, or idled oil and gas wells located on federal land.

The Department of the Interior must establish a program to provide grants to states and Indian tribes to remediate, reclaim, and close orphaned oil and gas wells located on state, tribal, or private lands. In providing grants, priority must be given to states and Indian tribes that already have an established program to carry out such activities.

The Department of Energy must provide technical assistance to oil and gas producing states and Indian tribes to ensure practical and economical remedies for environmental problems caused by orphaned or abandoned oil and gas well sites on state, tribal, or private land.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 1, 2020:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H5439)
- **Sep 21, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 21, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.