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Nuclear Energy Leadership Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]

Party: Republican • **State:** AK • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (22 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]	R · TN		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Gardner, Cory [R-CO]	R · CO		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]	R · SC		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 27, 2019
Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		Apr 10, 2019
Sen. Jones, Doug [D-AL]	D · AL		Apr 10, 2019
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Apr 29, 2019
Sen. Braun, Mike [R-IN]	R · IN		Aug 1, 2019
Sen. McSally, Martha [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Sep 23, 2019
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Dec 12, 2019
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Jan 28, 2020
Sen. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN]	R · TN		Feb 10, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Reported By	Sep 24, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Energy

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 3306	Identical bill	Jun 19, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy.
116 HR 3358	Related bill	Jun 19, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

Summary (as of Sep 24, 2019)

Nuclear Energy Leadership Act

This bill addresses nuclear energy innovation.

Among other things, the bill directs the Department of Energy (DOE) to (1) establish a long-term nuclear power purchase agreement pilot program; (2) advance the research and development of domestic advanced, affordable, and clean nuclear energy; (3) develop a 10-year strategic plan for its Office of Nuclear Energy; (4) provide for a versatile, reactor-based fast neutron source; (5) establish a program to make available high-assay, low-enriched uranium for use in commercial or noncommercial advanced nuclear reactors; and (6) provide competitive grants to develop the capability to transport high-assay, low enriched uranium.

DOE, the National Nuclear Security Administration, and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission must jointly establish a University Nuclear Leadership Program to provide financial assistance for scholarships, fellowships, and research and development projects at institutions of higher education.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 24, 2019:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Murkowski with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 116-114.
- **Sep 24, 2019:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 217.
- **Jul 16, 2019:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Apr 30, 2019:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 116-295.
- **Mar 27, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 27, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.