

HR 1588

Hydropower Clean Energy Future Act

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Policy Area: Energy

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Sponsor

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Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Tenney, Claudia [R-NY-22]	R · NY		May 7, 2021
Rep. Lesko, Debbie [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		May 18, 2021
Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]	R · TX		May 10, 2022
Rep. Fulcher, Russ [R-ID-1]	R · ID		Jul 21, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 4, 2021
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 3, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill expands provisions related to renewable energy, including hydropower production, and revises the hydropower licensing process.

The bill updates federal renewable purchase requirements. Specifically, the bill requires the federal government to purchase an increasing amount of renewable energy, including hydropower. By 2026, 25% of the total amount of electric energy the federal government consumes during any fiscal year must be renewable energy.

In addition, the bill also provides an expedited licensing process for next-generation hydropower projects.

The bill also revises requirements concerning the environmental review of certain hydroelectric power projects, including by designating the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission as the lead agency for the purposes of environmental reviews, allowing certain categories of projects to be exempted from such reviews, and establishing deadlines to complete such reviews.

Finally, the bill establishes requirements about resolving (1) inconsistent or conflicting license terms, and (2) federal interagency disputes or disputes among federal and state agencies.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 4, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy.
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, 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.