

## HR 1748

Strengthening American Nuclear Competitiveness Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Foreign Trade and International Finance

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### Committee Activity

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Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 11, 2021
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 10, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Foreign Trade and International Finance

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Strengthening American Nuclear Competitiveness Act**

This bill requires expedited consideration of certain nuclear technology exports, and it requires the Department of Energy (DOE), the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), and the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to author specified reports.

Specifically, DOE must expedite consideration of authorization requests regarding the transfer of technology that involves specified low-proliferation-risk reactors to certain foreign countries. The bill also lifts the prohibition on licensing domestic nuclear projects in which U.S. allies invest if license issuance is not detrimental to common defense and security or the health and safety of the public.

DOE must report on U.S. civilian nuclear commerce, including (1) an assessment of practices with respect to the civilian nuclear industry and the impacts of such practices on the industry in domestic and foreign commerce, (2) a comparison of U.S. practices to the practices of foreign countries with respect to their own civilian nuclear industry, and (3) recommendations to improve the competitiveness of U.S. civilian nuclear commerce.

The NRC must report on (1) licensing issues or requirements relating to the use of nuclear energy for nonelectric applications, and (2) advanced manufacturing and construction techniques for nuclear energy projects.

The GAO must report on actions by DOE regarding the retrospective risk pooling program that requires nuclear suppliers to help cover the contingent cost of certain nuclear incidents.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 11, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy.
- **Mar 10, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 10, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on 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.