

S 3373

A bill to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to extend the time period during which licensees are required to commence construction of certain hydropower projects.

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Energy

Introduced: Nov 30, 2023

Current Status: Held at the desk.

Latest Action: Held at the desk. (Dec 18, 2024)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Daines, Steve [R-MT]

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

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| Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA] | D · PA | | Nov 30, 2023 |
| Sen. Fetterman, John [D-PA] | D · PA | | Nov 30, 2023 |
| Sen. Hyde-Smith, Cindy [R-MS] | R · MS | | Nov 30, 2023 |
| Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA] | R · LA | | Jan 22, 2024 |
| Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK] | R · AK | | Jan 22, 2024 |
| Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK] | R · AK | | Jan 22, 2024 |
| Sen. Kennedy, John [R-LA] | R · LA | | Feb 26, 2024 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Energy and Natural Resources Committee | Senate | Discharged From | Dec 18, 2024 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 118 S 4753 | Related bill | Dec 19, 2024: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 756. |

This bill authorizes the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to extend the time period during which the licensees of certain hydropower projects must commence construction of such projects. FERC is authorized, upon the request of the licensees, to extend projects that were issued a license before March 13, 2020. (Under existing law, licensees must commence construction of licensed projects within a time fixed in their license.) The bill also provides that FERC may reinstate such licenses, effective as of the date they expire.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 18, 2024:** Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7133)
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR S7134)
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 18, 2024:** Held at the desk.
- **Nov 30, 2023:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 30, 2023:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.