

HR 7673

Liberty in Laundry Act

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Energy

Introduced: Mar 13, 2024

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (Dec 11, 2024)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/7673>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Ogles, Andrew [R-TN-5]

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Harshbarger, Diana [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Mar 13, 2024
Rep. Moolenaar, John R. [R-MI-2]	R · MI		Mar 13, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 15, 2024
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 11, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Energy

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HRES 1612	Related bill	Dec 10, 2024: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Summary (as of Apr 10, 2024)

Liberty in Laundry Act

This bill places limits on the authority of the Department of Energy (DOE) to prescribe or enforce energy conservation standards for clothes washers. Specifically, the bill prohibits DOE from prescribing or enforcing such standards unless they (1) are technologically feasible and economically justified, (2) are not likely to result in additional net costs to consumers, and (3) will result in significant conservation of energy.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 11, 2024:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Dec 10, 2024:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 1612 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 7673 and S. 4199. The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 7673 and S. 4199 under a closed rule with one hour of general debate on each bill and one motion to recommit on H.R. 7673 and one motion to commit on S. 4199. The resolution also provides for consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 5009 with one hour of general debate.
- **Dec 10, 2024:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 1612. (consideration: CR H6558-6562)
- **Dec 10, 2024:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 7673 and S. 4199. The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 7673 and S. 4199 under a closed rule with one hour of general debate on each bill and one motion to recommit on H.R. 7673 and one motion to commit on S. 4199. The resolution also provides for consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 5009 with one hour of general debate.
- **Dec 10, 2024:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 7673.
- **Dec 10, 2024:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Dec 10, 2024:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on H.R. 7673, the Chair put the question on passage of H.R. 7673 and by voice vote, announced that the yeas had prevailed. Mr. Pallone demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings until a time to be announced.
- **Dec 10, 2024:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H6580)
- **Dec 10, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 215 - 200 (Roll no. 497). (text: CR H6558)
- **Dec 10, 2024:** On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 215 - 200 (Roll no. 497). (text: CR H6558)
- **Dec 10, 2024:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 10, 2024:** Reported by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 118-454.
- **Apr 10, 2024:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 377.
- **Mar 20, 2024:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Mar 20, 2024:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 22 - 19.
- **Mar 19, 2024:** Subcommittee on Energy, Climate and Grid Security Discharged
- **Mar 15, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy, Climate and Grid Security.
- **Mar 13, 2024:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 13, 2024:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.