

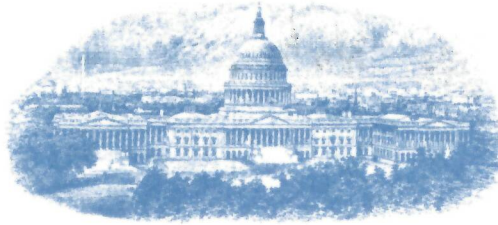
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Statement of the Honorable Alcee L. Hastings
On Amendment #4 to H.R. 1582, Energy Consumers Relief Act of
2013

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M. Chairman, today I am offering an amendment to H.R. 1582, *the Energy Consumers Relief Act of 2013*.

This amendment eliminates duplicative review and analysis that H.R. 1582 would impose on the Department on Energy (DOE). It seems that we should be seeking to streamline decisions, not prolonging them by creating new and unnecessary functions for government.

The DOE already participates in the interagency review process chaired by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), where they are asked to raise concerns that any rulemaking might bring.

In addition to eliminating the duplication provided by the additional requirements for DOE participation. My Amendment modifies the bill so that the EPA would report to Congress, and that information would then be shared with OMB, who would also share it with other federal agencies.

Mr. Chairman, I urge my colleagues to support this amendment, and yield back to balance of my time.