114th Congress

1st Session

H.R. 8 - North American Energy Security and Infrastructure Act of 2015

Conference Report to accompany S. 1177 – Student Success Act

- 1. Structured rule for further consideration of H.R. 8.
- 2. Provides no further general debate.
- 3. Makes in order as original text for purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114-36 and provides that it shall be considered as read.
- 4. Waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute.
- 5. Makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question.
- 6. Waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report.
- 7. Provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.
- 8. Section 2 provides for consideration of the conference report to accompany S. 1177.
- 9. Waives all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration.
- 10. Provides that the conference report shall be considered as read.
- 11. Provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervention of any motion except one hour of debate and one motion to recommit if applicable.
- 12. Debate on the conference report is divided pursuant to clause 8(d) of rule XXII.

RESOLUTION

Resolved, That at any time after adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 8) to modernize energy infrastructure, build a 21st century energy and manufacturing workforce, bolster America's energy security and diplomacy, and promote energy efficiency and government accountability, and for other purposes. No further general debate shall be in order. In lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill, it shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114-36. That amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. All points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute are waived. No amendment to that amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against such amendments are waived. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order as original text. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Sec. 2. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the bill (S. 1177) to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to ensure that every child achieves. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as read. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the conference report to its adoption without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate; and (2) one motion to recommit if applicable.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 8 PROPOSED TO BE MADE IN ORDER

(summaries derived from information provided by sponsors)

Sponsor	# Description Debate Tim	e
1. Upton (MI)	#1 (REVISED) Strikes a number of provisions, some of which have already been enacted into law, and makes technical and conforming changes to the reported text of H.R. 8, H.R. 2295, and H.R. 2358.	1
2. Tonko (NY)	#48 Strikes Section 1101. (10 minutes))
3. Peters, Scott (CA)	#26 Includes energy storage as a form of energy that DOE should consider to enhance emergency preparedness for energy supply disruptions during natural disasters (10 minutes))
4. Franks (AZ)	#93 (LATE) (REVISED) Secures the most critical components of America's electrical infrastructure against the threat posed by a potentially catastrophic electromagnetic pulse.	1
5. Poliquin (ME)	#62 Clarifies that electric plants can be considered reliable without having to enter into supply contacts that are greater than one year. (10 minutes))
6. Veasey (TX)	#41 Requires the Department of Energy to submit a report to Congress on the potential effects commercial utilization of Carbon Capture and Sequestration could have on the economy, energy infrastructure and greenhouse gas emission goals.	1
7. McKinley (WV)	#4 Directs the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with other relevant agencies and stakeholders, to conduct a study on the feasibility of establishing an ethane storage and distribution hub in the United States.)
8. Ellmers (NC), McNerney (CA)	#9 Makes a statement of policy on grid modernization. (10 minutes))
9. Jackson Lee (TX)	#84 (LATE) Directs the Secretary of Energy to submit to the (10 minutes) Committees on Energy and Commerce and Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate a report on methods to increase electric grid)

	resilience with respect to all threats, including cyber attacks, vandalism, terrorism, and severe weather, no later than 120 days after the date of enactment of the Act.	
10. Kildee (MI)	#81 (LATE) Instructs the GAO to study ways to improve the (10 minutes) National Response Center.	
11. Duffy (WI)	#10 Requires the Secretary of Energy to collaborate with the Secretariat of Energy in Mexico and the Ministry of Natural Resources in Canada when developing guidelines to develop skill for an energy and manufacturing industry workforce.	
12. Garamendi (CA)	#100 (LATE) Includes energy transportation in the list of considerations for the Energy Security Valuation report in Sec. 3002.	
13. McKinley (WV), Zinke (MT)	#5 (REVISED) Ensures that no permit for the construction, (10 minutes) operation, or maintenance of an export facility can be denied until all reviews required under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 are complete.	
14. Green, Gene (TX)	#45 Creates a permitting process through the Department of (10 minutes) Energy, FERC, and Department of State for cross-border infrastructure projects.	
15. Norcross (NJ)	#20 Directs the Secretary of Energy to develop recommendations for the creation of an "Energy Tradesmen Corp", a volunteer corp of professional tradesmen who respond to critical energy infrastructure problems during disasters/states of emergency.	
16. Takano (CA), Honda (CA), Collins, Chris (NY)	#28 Requires a GAO Report to be submitted to Congress on (10 minutes) the potential of battery energy storage.	
17. Beyer (VA)	#75 (LATE) Strikes the repeal of Section 433 of the Energy (10 minutes) Independence and Security Act which establishes targets for reducing energy from fossil fuels in federal buildings.	
18. Peters, Scott (CA)	#27 Requires the Secretary of Energy to report on energy savings and greenhouse gas emissions reduction from conversion of captured methane to energy. (10 minutes)	
19. Schakowsky (IL)	#12 Strips Section 4125 from the bill. Section 4125 (10 minutes) eliminates an existing consumer right to recover costs due to manufacturer misrepresentation of EnergyStar products.	
20. Brooks, Susan (IN)	#79 (LATE) Calls on the Department of Energy to review and update the data used for a 9 year old federal study on re-refined oil, and requires the development of a strategy to increase its collections and sustainability.	

21. Ellmers (NC), Pompeo (KS), DeGette (CO), Dent (PA)	#7 Makes a technical fix to DOE's External Power Supply (10 minutes) Rule.
22. Tonko (NY)	#49 Reauthorizes the Weatherization Assistance Program and (10 minutes) the State Energy Program through Fiscal Year 2020.
23. Castor (FL)	#30 Strengthens energy infrastructure resiliency and improves energy efficiency by incentivizing local renewable thermal (heating and cooling) energy and waste heat such as combined heat and power and by providing technical assistance to eligible entities to establish distributed energy systems.
24. Polis (CO)	#40 Requires the Secretary of Interior to notify landowners, and any adjacent landholders, when federally owned minerals beneath their land have been leased for oil and gas development.
25. Barton (TX), Cuellar (TX), McCaul (TX), Flores (TX), Conaway (TX)	#3 Repeals restrictions on the export of crude oil and includes provisions of HR 702 as passed by the House. (10 minutes)
26. Cramer, Kevin (ND)	#42 Authorizes voluntary vegetation management within 150 (10 minutes) feet of the exterior boundary of the right-of-way near structures. Prevents sale of vegetation and limits legal liability.
27. Duffy (WI)	#76 (LATE) Requires the EPA to satisfy regulatory planning (10 minutes) and review requirements established by the Clinton and Obama Administrations.
28. Gosar (AZ), Bridenstine (OK), Yoho (FL)	#65 Ensures timely review for legal challenges of energy projects on federal land and limits attorney fees in order to discourage frivolous lawsuits and foster energy production. (10 minutes)
29. Jenkins, Evan (WV)	#51 Requires the Department of Energy and Department of Commerce to conduct a study regarding the legal and regulatory barriers that delay, prohibit, or impede the export of natural energy resources.
30. Rouzer (NC), Smith,	#2 Repeals the March 2015 EPA final rule establishing (10 minutes) federal standards for residential wood heaters.

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31. Castor (FL)	#32 Allows community solar projects to be connected to their (10 minutes) power distribution system and allows the electricity produced by the community solar facility to be credited directly to each of the consumers that owns a share of the system.
32. DeSaulnier (CA), Lowey (NY), Garamendi (CA)	#34 Requires the Department of Energy to study the maximum level of volatility that is consistent with the safest practicable shipment of crude oil.
33. Deutch (FL), Takai (HI)	#29 Promotes the research, development, and demonstration (10 minutes) of marine hydrokinetic energy technologies and improves the regulatory process for such programs.
34. Grayson (FL)	#64 Establishes minimum privacy standards for "Smart (10 minutes) Meters" and their use in the smart grid.
35. Jackson Lee (TX)	#86 (LATE) Directs the Secretaries of Energy and Commerce to jointly establish an energy enterprise competition to encourage youth to propose solutions to the energy challenges of the United States and to promote youth interest in careers in science, technology, engineering, and math, especially as those fields relate to energy.
36. Meng (NY), Royce (CA)	#16 Strikes terms such as "Oriental" and "Negro" from two sections of title 42 of the U.S. Code, and replaces them with culturally appropriate terms.
37. Pallone (NJ)	#68 Prohibits the Act from taking effect until after the Energy (10 minutes) Information Administration analyzed and published a report on the carbon impacts of the Act's provisions.
38. Norcross (NJ)	#19 (REVISED) Directs the Secretary of Energy to study weaknesses in the security architecture of certain smart meters currently available. (10 minutes)