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[Report No. 116-136]

To amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to provide Federal financial assistance to States to implement State energy security plans, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 11, 2019

Mr. GARDNER (for himself and Mr. BENNET) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

OCTOBER 22, 2019

Reported by Ms. MURKOWSKI, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

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# A BILL

To amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to provide Federal financial assistance to States to implement State energy security plans, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1   **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Enhancing State En-  
3   ergy Security Planning and Emergency Preparedness Act  
4   of 2019”.

5   **SEC. 2. STATE ENERGY SECURITY PLANS.**

6       (a) IN GENERAL.—Part D of title III of the Energy  
7   Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6321 et seq.) is  
8   amended—

- 9                  (1) by redesignating section 366 (42 U.S.C.  
10                 6326) as section 367; and  
11                  (2) by inserting after section 365 (42 U.S.C.  
12                 6325) the following:

13   **“SEC. 366. STATE ENERGY SECURITY PLANS.**

14       “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may provide fi-  
15   nancial assistance to a State for—

16                  “(1) the development and implementation of a  
17   State energy security plan; or

18                  “(2) the review, revision, and implementation of  
19   an existing State energy security plan.

20       “(b) PURPOSE.—A State energy security plan devel-  
21   oped or revised under subsection (a) shall—

22                  “(1) assess the existing circumstances of the  
23   State; and

24                  “(2) propose methods to strengthen the ability  
25   of the State and of owners and operators of energy  
26   infrastructure in the State—

1               “(A) to secure the energy infrastructure of  
2               the State against all physical and cybersecurity  
3               threats;

4               “(B) to mitigate the risk of energy supply  
5               disruptions to the State and enhance the re-  
6               sponse to, and recovery from, energy supply dis-  
7               ruptions; and

8               “(C) to ensure that the State has a reli-  
9               able, secure, and resilient energy infrastructure.

10              “(e) CONTENTS OF PLAN.—A State energy security  
11              plan developed or revised under subsection (a) shall—

12              “(1) address all fuels and regulated and un-  
13              regulated energy providers;

14              “(2) provide a State energy profile, including  
15              an assessment of energy production, distribution,  
16              and end use;

17              “(3) address potential hazards to each energy  
18              sector or system, including physical threats and cy-  
19              bersecurity threats and vulnerabilities;

20              “(4) provide a risk assessment of energy infra-  
21              structure and crosssector interdependencies;

22              “(5) provide a risk mitigation approach to en-  
23              hance reliability and end-use resilience, including for  
24              issues associated with energy emergencies;

1           “(6) address coordination, planning, and re-  
2 sponse, including cyber information sharing mecha-  
3 nisms such as the Multi-State Information and  
4 Analysis Center, across States, Indian Tribes, and  
5 regions; and

6           “(7) to the maximum extent practicable, en-  
7 courage mutual assistance regarding the cyber and  
8 physical response plans of States, Indian Tribes, and  
9 regions.

10          “(d) COORDINATION.—In developing or revising a  
11 State energy security plan under subsection (a), the State  
12 energy office shall, to the maximum extent practicable, co-  
13 ordinate with and participate in cyber and physical secu-  
14 rity incident exercises with—

15           “(1) the public utility or service commission of  
16 the State;

17           “(2) public and private sector energy and elec-  
18 tric providers; and

19           “(3) other entities responsible for maintaining  
20 fuel or electric reliability and securing energy infra-  
21 structure.

22          “(e) ELIGIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—  
23 The Governor of a State desiring financial assistance  
24 under this section for a fiscal year shall submit to the Sec-  
25 retary, with respect to that fiscal year—

1           “(1) a State energy security plan developed in  
2 accordance with the requirements of this section; or  
3           “(2) after an annual review of the existing  
4 State energy security plan of the State by the Gov-  
5 ernor—

6           “(A) a revised State energy security plan  
7 that meets the requirements of this section; or  
8           “(B) a certification that no revisions to the  
9 State energy security plan are necessary.

10          “(f) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—On request of the  
11 Governor of a State, the Secretary may provide to the  
12 State information, technical assistance, and other assist-  
13 ance for the development or revision of, and implemen-  
14 tation of, a State energy security plan under this section.

15          “(g) REQUIREMENT.—Each State receiving financial  
16 assistance under this section shall provide reasonable as-  
17 surance to the Secretary that the State has established  
18 policies and procedures designed to assure that the finan-  
19 cial assistance will be used—

20           “(1) to supplement, and not to supplant, State  
21 and local funds; and

22           “(2) to the maximum extent practicable, to in-  
23 crease the amount of State and local funds that oth-  
24 erwise would be available, in the absence of the fi-

1 nancial assistance, for the implementation of the  
2 State energy security plan under this section.

3 **(h) PROTECTION OF INFORMATION.** Information  
4 provided to, or collected by, the Federal Government  
5 under this section—

6       “(1) shall be exempt from disclosure under sec-  
7 tion 552(b)(3) of title 5, United States Code; and

8       “(2) shall not be made available by any Federal  
9 agency, State, political subdivision of a State, or  
10 Tribal authority pursuant to any Federal, State, or  
11 Tribal law, as applicable, requiring public disclosure  
12 of information or records.

13       **(i) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.** There is  
14 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section  
15 \$90,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2022.

16       **(j) SUNSET.** This authority to carry out this see-  
17 tion shall expire on October 31, 2022.”

18       **(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

19           **(1) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.** Section 363  
20 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42  
21 U.S.C. 6323) is amended—

22              (A) by striking subsection (e); and

23              (B) by redesignating subsection (f) as sub-  
24 section (e).

25       **(2) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.**

1                             (A) Section 509(i)(3) of the Housing and  
2                             Urban Development Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C.  
3                             1701z-8(i)(3)) is amended by striking “seection  
4                             366” and inserting “seection 367”.

5                             (B) The matter under the heading “ENERGY CONSERVATION” under the heading “DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY” in title II of the  
6                             Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1985 (42 U.S.C.  
7                             6323a) is amended by striking “sections 361  
8                             through 366” and inserting “sections 361  
9                             through 367”.

10                             (C) Section 367(3)(B)(i) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C.  
11                             6326(3)(B)(i)) (as redesignated by subsection  
12                             (a)(1)) is amended by striking “approved under  
13                             seection 367”.

14                             (D) Section 451(i)(3) of the Energy Conservation and Production Act (42 U.S.C.  
15                             6881(i)(3)) is amended by striking “seection  
16                             366” and all that follows through the period at  
17                             the end and inserting “seection 367 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.”.

18                             (3) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for part D of title III of the Energy Policy and

1 Conservation Act (Public Law 94-163, 89 Stat. 872,  
2 92 Stat. 3272; 104 Stat. 1006) is amended by strik-  
3 ing the item relating to section 366 and inserting  
4 the following:

“Sec. 366. State energy security plans.

“See. 367. Definitions.”

5 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

6 *This Act may be cited as the “Enhancing State Energy  
7 Security Planning and Emergency Preparedness Act of  
8 2019”.*

9 **SEC. 2. STATE ENERGY SECURITY PLANS.**

10 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Part D of title III of the Energy  
11 Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6321 et seq.) is  
12 amended by adding at the end the following:*

13 **“SEC. 367. STATE ENERGY SECURITY PLANS.**

14 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—Federal financial assistance made  
15 available to a State under this part may be used for the  
16 implementation, review, and revision of a State energy se-  
17 curity plan that assesses the State’s existing circumstances  
18 and proposes methods to strengthen the ability of the State,  
19 in consultation with owners and operators of energy infra-  
20 structure in such State, to—*

21 *“(1) secure the energy infrastructure of the State  
22 against all physical and cybersecurity threats;*

1           “(2) mitigate the risk of energy supply disruptions to the State and enhance the response to, and recovery from, energy disruptions; and

4           “(3) ensure the State has a reliable, secure, and resilient energy infrastructure.

6        “(b) CONTENTS OF PLAN.—A State energy security  
7 plan described in subsection (a) shall—

8           “(1) address all energy sources and regulated  
9 and unregulated energy providers;

10          “(2) provide a State energy profile, including an assessment of energy production, distribution, and end-use;

13          “(3) address potential hazards to each energy sector or system, including physical threats and cybersecurity threats and vulnerabilities;

16          “(4) provide a risk assessment of energy infrastructure and cross-sector interdependencies;

18          “(5) provide a risk mitigation approach to enhance reliability and end-use resilience; and

20          “(6) address multi-State, Indian Tribe, and regional coordination planning and response, and to the extent practicable, encourage mutual assistance in cyber and physical response plans.

1       “(c) *COORDINATION.*—In developing a State energy se-  
2 curity plan under this section, the energy office of the State  
3 shall, to the extent practicable, coordinate with—

4           “(1) the public utility or service commission of  
5 the State;

6           “(2) energy providers from the private sector;  
7 and

8           “(3) other entities responsible for maintaining  
9 fuel or electric reliability.

10       “(d) *FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.*—A State is not eligible  
11 to receive Federal financial assistance under this part, for  
12 any purpose, for a fiscal year unless the Governor of such  
13 State submits to the Secretary, with respect to such fiscal  
14 year—

15           “(1) a State energy security plan described in  
16 subsection (a) that meets the requirements of sub-  
17 section (b); or

18           “(2) after an annual review of the State energy  
19 security plan by the Governor—

20           “(A) any necessary revisions to such plan;  
21 or

22           “(B) a certification that no revisions to  
23 such plan are necessary.

24       “(e) *TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.*—Upon request of the  
25 Governor of a State, the Secretary may provide information

1 and technical assistance, and other assistance, in the devel-  
2 opment, implementation, or revision of a State energy secu-  
3 rity plan.

4 “(f) REQUIREMENT.—Each State receiving Federal fi-  
5 nancial assistance under this part shall provide reasonable  
6 assurance to the Secretary that the State has established  
7 policies and procedures designed to assure that the financial  
8 assistance will be used—

9           “(1) to supplement, and not to supplant, State  
10 and local funds; and

11           “(2) to the maximum extent practicable, to in-  
12 crease the amount of State and local funds that other-  
13 wise would be available, in the absence of the finan-  
14 cial assistance, for the implementation of the State  
15 energy security plan under this section.

16 “(g) PROTECTION OF INFORMATION.—Information  
17 provided to, or collected by, the Federal Government under  
18 this section—

19           “(1) shall be exempt from disclosure under sec-  
20 tion 552(b)(3) of title 5, United States Code; and

21           “(2) shall not be made available by any Federal  
22 agency, State, political subdivision of a State, or  
23 Tribal authority pursuant to any Federal, State, or  
24 Tribal law, as applicable, requiring public disclosure  
25 of information or records.

1       “(h) SUNSET.—This section shall expire on October 31,  
2 2024.”.

3       (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section  
4 365(f) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42  
5 U.S.C. 6325(f)) is amended—

6           (1) by striking “\$125,000,000” and inserting  
7 “\$90,000,000”; and

8           (2) by striking “2007 through 2012” and insert-  
9 ing “2021 through 2025”.

10     (c) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

11       (1) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 363 of  
12 the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C.  
13 6323) is amended—

14           (A) by striking subsection (e); and  
15           (B) by redesignating subsection (f) as sub-  
16 section (e).

17       (2) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Section  
18 366(3)(B)(i) of the Energy Policy and Conservation  
19 Act (42 U.S.C. 6326(3)(B)(i)) is amended by striking  
20 “approved under section 367”.

21       (3) REFERENCE.—The matter under the heading  
22 “ENERGY CONSERVATION” under the heading “DE-  
23 PARTMENT OF ENERGY” in title II of the Depart-  
24 ment of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropria-  
25 tions Act, 1985 (42 U.S.C. 6323a) is amended by

1       *striking “sections 361 through 366” and inserting*  
2       *“sections 361 through 367”.*

3           *(4) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents*  
4       *for part D of title III of the Energy Policy and Con-*  
5       *servation Act (Public Law 94–163; 89 Stat. 872; 92*  
6       *Stat. 3272; 104 Stat. 1006) is amended by adding at*  
7       *the end the following:*

“Sec. 367. State energy security plans.”.

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