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# S. 3627

To amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to require a certain efficiency level for certain distribution transformers, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 18, 2024

Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. RICKETTS, Mr. CASEY, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. TESTER, and Mr. BUDD) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## A BILL

To amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to require a certain efficiency level for certain distribution transformers, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Distribution Trans-  
5 former Efficiency and Supply Chain Reliability Act of  
6 2024”.

1 **SEC. 2. EFFICIENCY LEVEL FOR LIQUID-IMMERSED AND**  
2 **DRY TYPE DISTRIBUTION TRANSFORMERS.**

3 Section 321(35) of the Energy Policy and Conserva-  
4 tion Act (42 U.S.C. 6291(35)) is amended by adding at  
5 the end the following:

6 “(C) **EFFICIENCY LEVEL.**—The Secretary  
7 shall not finalize any rule under which the effi-  
8 ciency level of a liquid-immersed type, low volt-  
9 age dry type, or medium voltage dry type dis-  
10 tribution transformer is greater than trial  
11 standard level 2 (as described in table V.1 in  
12 the proposed rule entitled ‘Energy Conservation  
13 Program: Energy Conservation Standards for  
14 Distribution Transformers’ (88 Fed. Reg. 1722  
15 (January 11, 2023))).

16 “(D) **EFFECTIVE DATE FOR CERTAIN**  
17 **RULES.**—Any rule finalized by the Secretary  
18 under which the efficiency level of a liquid-im-  
19 mersed type, low voltage dry type, or medium  
20 voltage dry-type distribution transformer is trial  
21 standard level 1 or 2 (as described in table V.1  
22 in the proposed rule entitled ‘Energy Conserva-  
23 tion Program: Energy Conservation Standards  
24 for Distribution Transformers’ (88 Fed. Reg.  
25 1722 (January 11, 2023))) shall not take effect

1           until 10 years after the date on which the rule  
2           is finalized.”.

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