

# Union Calendar No. 355

113<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 4092

[Report No. 113–479]

To amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to establish the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy as the lead Federal agency for coordinating Federal, State, and local assistance provided to promote the energy retrofitting of schools.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 26, 2014

Mr. CARTWRIGHT (for himself, Mr. WELCH, Mr. SIRES, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. HOLT, Mr. PETERS of California, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. DELANEY, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. POCAN, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. GRAYSON, Mr. SABLAN, and Mr. HONDA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

JUNE 19, 2014

Additional sponsors: Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. GARCIA, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. TONKO, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. HIMES, Mrs. NEGRETE McLEOD, Mr. PALLONE, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. NORTON, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. McNERNEY, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. KEATING, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, Ms. TSONGAS, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. QUIGLEY, Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. COHEN, and Mr. HASTINGS of Florida

JUNE 19, 2014

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole  
House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 26, 2014]

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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 “Streamlining Energy*  
5 *Efficiency for Schools Act of 2014”.*

6 **SEC. 2. COORDINATION OF ENERGY RETROFITTING ASSIST-**  
7 **ANCE FOR SCHOOLS.**

8        *Section 392 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act*  
9 *(42 U.S.C. 6371a) is amended by adding at the end the*  
10 *following:*

11        *“(e) COORDINATION OF ENERGY RETROFITTING AS-*  
12 *SISTANCE FOR SCHOOLS.—*

13            *“(1) DEFINITION OF SCHOOL.—Notwithstanding*  
14 *section 391(6), for the purposes of this subsection, the*  
15 *term ‘school’ means—*

16            *“(A) an elementary school or secondary*  
17 *school (as defined in section 9101 of the Elemen-*  
18 *tary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20*  
19 *U.S.C. 7801));*

20            *“(B) an institution of higher education (as*  
21 *defined in section 102(a) of the Higher Edu-*  
22 *cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002(a));*

23            *“(C) a school of the defense dependents’ edu-*  
24 *cation system under the Defense Dependents’*  
25 *Education Act of 1978 (20 U.S.C. 921 et seq.) or*

1           *established under section 2164 of title 10, United*  
2           *States Code;*

3           *“(D) a school operated by the Bureau of In-*  
4           *Indian Affairs;*

5           *“(E) a tribally controlled school (as defined*  
6           *in section 5212 of the Tribally Controlled*  
7           *Schools Act of 1988 (25 U.S.C. 2511)); and*

8           *“(F) a Tribal College or University (as de-*  
9           *efined in section 316(b) of the Higher Education*  
10          *Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059c(b))).*

11          *“(2) ESTABLISHMENT OF CLEARINGHOUSE.—The*  
12          *Secretary, acting through the Office of Energy Effi-*  
13          *ciency and Renewable Energy, shall establish a clear-*  
14          *inghouse to disseminate information regarding avail-*  
15          *able Federal programs and financing mechanisms*  
16          *that may be used to help initiate, develop, and fi-*  
17          *nance energy efficiency, distributed generation, and*  
18          *energy retrofitting projects for schools.*

19          *“(3) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out para-*  
20          *graph (2), the Secretary shall—*

21                 *“(A) consult with appropriate Federal*  
22                 *agencies to develop a list of Federal programs*  
23                 *and financing mechanisms that are, or may be,*  
24                 *used for the purposes described in paragraph (2);*  
25                 *and*

1           “(B) coordinate with appropriate Federal  
2 agencies to develop a collaborative education and  
3 outreach effort to streamline communications  
4 and promote available Federal programs and fi-  
5 nancing mechanisms described in subparagraph  
6 (A), which may include the development and  
7 maintenance of a single online resource that in-  
8 cludes contact information for relevant technical  
9 assistance in the Office of Energy Efficiency and  
10 Renewable Energy that States, local education  
11 agencies, and schools may use to effectively access  
12 and use such Federal programs and financing  
13 mechanisms.”.

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