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# H. R. 1972

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 22, 2015

Mrs. LOWEY (for herself and Mr. ENGEL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

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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 “Nuclear Power Licens-  
5 ing Reform Act of 2015”.

6 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS.**

7       Section 103 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42  
8 U.S.C. 2133) is amended—

9               (1) in subsection (b), by inserting “, including  
10       that the facility does not pose an unreasonable

1 threat to persons or the environment because of  
2 safety or security vulnerabilities (including vulner-  
3 ability to terrorist attacks), and that there exist ade-  
4 quate evacuation plans for emergency events and  
5 that those plans have been approved by the relevant  
6 Federal agencies and States within 50 miles of the  
7 facility” after “by rule establish”; and

8 (2) in subsection (c), by adding at the end the  
9 following: “Any such renewal shall be subject to the  
10 same criteria and requirements that would be appli-  
11 cable for an original application for initial construc-  
12 tion, and the Commission shall ensure that any  
13 changes in the size or distribution of the sur-  
14 rounding population, or seismic or other scientific  
15 data not available at time of original licensing, have  
16 not resulted in the facility being located at a site at  
17 which a new facility would not be allowed to be  
18 built.”.

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