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To require the Secretary of Energy to establish a council to conduct a survey and analysis of the employment figures and demographics in the energy, energy efficiency, and motor vehicle sectors of the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. MCSALLY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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 “Promoting American
5 Energy Jobs Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. SURVEY, ANALYSIS, AND REPORT ON EMPLOYMENT**
2 **AND DEMOGRAPHICS IN THE ENERGY, EN-**
3 **ERGY EFFICIENCY, AND MOTOR VEHICLE**
4 **SECTORS OF THE UNITED STATES.**

5 (a) ENERGY JOBS COUNCIL.—

6 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of En-
7 ergy (referred to in this section as the “Secretary”)
8 shall establish a council, to be known as the “En-
9 ergy Jobs Council” (referred to in this section as the
10 “Council”).

11 (2) MEMBERSHIP.—The Council shall be com-
12 prised of—

13 (A) to be appointed by the Secretary—

14 (i) one or more representatives of the
15 Energy Information Administration; and

16 (ii) one or more representatives of a
17 State energy office that are serving as
18 members of the State Energy Advisory
19 Board established by section 365(g) of the
20 Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42
21 U.S.C. 6325(g));

22 (B) to be appointed by the Secretary of
23 Commerce—

24 (i) one or more representatives of the
25 Department of Commerce; and

1 (ii) one or more representatives of the
2 Bureau of the Census;

3 (C) one or more representatives of the Bu-
4 reau of Labor Statistics, to be appointed by the
5 Secretary of Labor; and

6 (D) one or more representatives of any
7 other Federal agency the assistance of which is
8 required to carry out this Act, as determined by
9 the Secretary, to be appointed by the head of
10 the applicable agency.

11 (b) SURVEY AND ANALYSIS.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Council shall—

13 (A) conduct a survey of employers in the
14 energy, energy efficiency, and motor vehicle sec-
15 tors of the economy of the United States; and

16 (B) perform an analysis of the employment
17 figures and demographics in those sectors.

18 (2) METHODOLOGY.—In conducting the survey
19 and analysis under paragraph (1), the Council shall
20 employ a methodology that—

21 (A) was approved in 2016 by the Office of
22 Management and Budget for use in the docu-
23 ment entitled “OMB Control Number 1910-
24 5179”;

1 (B) uses a representative, stratified sam-
2 pling of businesses in the United States; and

3 (C) is designed to elicit a comparable num-
4 ber of responses from businesses in each State
5 and with the same North American Industry
6 Classification System codes as were received for
7 the 2016 and 2017 reports entitled “U.S. En-
8 ergy and Employment Report”.

9 (3) CONSULTATION.—In conducting the survey
10 and analysis under paragraph (1), the Council shall
11 consult with key stakeholders, including—

12 (A) as the Council determines to be appro-
13 priate, the heads of relevant Federal agencies
14 and offices, including—

15 (i) the Secretary of Commerce;

16 (ii) the Secretary of Transportation;

17 (iii) the Director of the Bureau of the
18 Census;

19 (iv) the Commissioner of the Bureau
20 of Labor Statistics; and

21 (v) the Administrator of the Environ-
22 mental Protection Agency;

23 (B) States;

24 (C) the State Energy Advisory Board es-
25 tablished by section 365(g) of the Energy Pol-

1 icy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6325(g));
2 and

3 (D) energy industry trade associations.

4 (c) REPORT.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after
6 the date of enactment of this Act, and annually
7 thereafter, the Secretary shall—

8 (A) make publicly available on the website
9 of the Department of Energy a report, to be en-
10 titled the “U.S. Energy and Employment Re-
11 port”, describing the employment figures and
12 demographics in the energy, energy efficiency,
13 and motor vehicle sectors of the United States
14 based on the survey and analysis conducted
15 under subsection (b); and

16 (B) subject to the requirements of the
17 Confidential Information Protection and Statis-
18 tical Efficiency Act of 2002 (44 U.S.C. 3501
19 note; Public Law 107–347), make the data col-
20 lected by the Council publicly available on the
21 website of the Department of Energy.

22 (2) CONTENTS.—

23 (A) IN GENERAL.—The report under para-
24 graph (1) shall include employment figures and
25 demographic data for—

1 (i) the energy sector of the economy
2 of the United States, including—

3 (I) the electric power generation
4 and fuels sector; and

5 (II) the transmission, storage,
6 and distribution sector;

7 (ii) the energy efficiency sector of the
8 economy of the United States; and

9 (iii) the motor vehicle sector of the
10 economy of the United States.

11 (B) INCLUSION.—With respect to each sec-
12 tor described in subparagraph (A), the report
13 under paragraph (1) shall include employment
14 figures and demographic data sorted by—

15 (i) each technology, subtechnology,
16 and fuel type of those sectors; and

17 (ii) subject to the requirements of the
18 Confidential Information Protection and
19 Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (44
20 U.S.C. 3501 note; Public Law 107–347)—

21 (I) each State;

22 (II) each territory of the United
23 States;

24 (III) the District of Columbia;

25 and

1 (IV) each county (or equivalent
2 jurisdiction) in the United States.

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