

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: In the nature of a substitute.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—115th Cong., 2d Sess.

S. 1030

To require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to submit to Congress a report on certain hydropower projects.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended
to be proposed by _____

Viz:

1 Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the fol-
2 lowing:

3 **SECTION 1. FERC REPORT ON CERTAIN HYDROPOWER**
4 **PROJECTS.**

5 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment
6 of this Act, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
7 (referred to in this section as the “FERC”) shall submit
8 to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of
9 the Senate and the Committee on Energy and Commerce
10 of the House of Representatives a report that—

1 (1) identifies each hydropower project licensed
2 by the FERC (referred to in this section as an
3 “identified project”) that is—

4 (A) located at a nonpowered site that
5 serves as storage to support downstream power
6 generation; and

7 (B) not part of a generation project li-
8 censed by FERC;

9 (2) analyzes the financial value of electric power
10 generation associated with each identified project,
11 relative to the best available estimates of the finan-
12 cial value of nonpower generation functions associ-
13 ated with the identified project, including recreation
14 and environmental functions;

15 (3) describes the range of options available
16 under existing law with respect to the surrender or
17 transfer of a FERC license for an identified project,
18 including a representative range of actual measures
19 required by the FERC of identified project owners
20 that have surrendered or transferred a FERC li-
21 cense;

22 (4) identifies any general or readily identifiable
23 project-specific barriers to the surrender or transfer
24 of a FERC license for an identified project; and

1 (5) to the extent the information is available,
2 identifies the financial costs incurred by identified
3 project owners resulting from the requirements im-
4 posed by a FERC license or other FERC require-
5 ments, including applicable costs broken down by
6 categories relating to—

7 (A) the environment, including fish and
8 wildlife measures;

9 (B) human safety;

10 (C) electric reliability;

11 (D) recreation;

12 (E) cultural resources;

13 (F) flood control; and

14 (G) any other relevant category, as deter-
15 mined by the FERC.