

118TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 8155

To direct the Secretary of Energy to develop fish and wildlife program funding alternatives to mitigate the cost to Bonneville Power Administration ratepayers, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

April 29, 2024

Mr. Newhouse (for himself, Mr. Fulcher, Mr. Zinke, and Mr. Bentz) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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 "Ratepayer Funding
- 5 Alternative Act".

SEC. 2. FISH AND WILDLIFE PROGRAM FUNDING ALTER-

- 2 NATIVES.
- 3 (a) In General.—The Secretary of Energy, in con-
- 4 sultation with the heads of other relevant Federal agen-
- 5 cies, shall develop, with respect to the fish and wildlife
- 6 program of the Bonneville Power Administration, alter-
- 7 native funding options that do not pass the expense of the
- 8 program on to the power and transmission service cus-
- 9 tomers of the Bonneville Power Administration.
- 10 (b) Report.—Not later than 6 months after the date
- 11 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Energy shall
- 12 submit to each of the Committees on Appropriations for
- 13 the House of Representatives and the Senate a report that
- 14 describes the alternative funding options developed under
- 15 subsection (a).

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