

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5787

To amend the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 to clarify whistleblower rights and protections, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 6, 2020

Mr. HORSFORD (for himself and Ms. TITUS) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Department of Energy
5 and Nuclear Regulatory Commission Whistleblower Pro-
6 tection Act of 2020”.

7 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF PERSON.**

8 Section 211(a)(2) of the Energy Reorganization Act
9 of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5851(a)(2)) is amended—

1 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) through
2 (G) as clauses (i) through (vii), respectively, and in-
3 denting the clauses appropriately;

4 (2) in the matter preceding clause (i) (as so re-
5 designated), by striking the paragraph designation
6 and all that follows through “includes—” and insert-
7 ing the following:

8 “(2) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 “(A) EMPLOYER.—The term ‘employer’ in-
10 cludes—”; and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(B) PERSON.—The term ‘person’ in-
13 cludes—

14 “(i) a person (as defined in section 11
15 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42
16 U.S.C. 2014));

17 “(ii) the Commission; and

18 “(iii) the Department of Energy.”.

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