

MANAGER'S PACKAGE
ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND
RELATED AGENCIES, 2017

REPORT AMENDMENT

Amendment by Senator Cassidy

On page 15 of the report, above “Additional Funding for ongoing work”, insert—

“Oyster Reefs.—The Committee encourages the Corps of Engineers when conducting or reviewing environmental assessments or impact statements for navigation or coastal restoration projects in areas where oyster reefs exist to consider water quality impacts on those reefs and where feasible mitigate any negative impacts.”

Amendment by Senator Alexander/Senator Feinstein

On page 23 of the report, insert after “additional funds for Construction.”—

“From these additional funds, the Corps of Engineers is authorized to begin up to 8 new construction starts.”

Amendment by Senator Coons

On pages 65-66, strike from EERE section:

“The Committee thus urges the Department to utilize investments through existing regional consortia that includes industry, universities, and State and regional economic development assets. The Committee further encourages the national laboratories to expand their geographical outreach through people and access to specialized equipment and user facilities in order to contribute to the success of these consortia.”

On page 63, insert as a new heading:

“*Regional partnerships.*—The Committee thus urges the Department to utilize investments through existing regional capabilities that includes industry, universities, and State and regional economic development assets. The Committee further encourages the national laboratories to expand their geographic outreach through people and access to specialized equipment and user facilities in order to contribute to the success of these regional initiatives.”

Amendment by Senator Udall

On page 65 of the report, before “ENERGY PROGRAMS”, insert—

“LABORATORY DIRECTED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The Committee directs the Department to ensure that laboratory operating contractors do not allocate costs of general and administrative overhead to laboratory directed research and development.”

Amendment by Senator Shaheen

On page 72 of the report, after “Standards.”, insert—

“FEDERAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Committee encourages the Secretary of Energy, in consultation with the Department of Defense, to create a pilot program that would determine the potential for the use of Energy Savings Performance Contracts to reduce energy consumption and provide energy cost savings in non-building applications.”

Amendment by Senator Murphy

On page 81 of the report, after “parties.”, insert—

“The Committee encourages the Department to support a pilot program to advance the application of solid state reforming technology to commercial success.”

Amendment by Senator Kirk

On page 88 of the report, after “Nation’s global competitiveness and”, insert

“ensuring American technology outpaces rivals like China to support our national security.”
Strike remainder of sentence.

Amendment by Senators Alexander / Feinstein

On page 94 of the report, after the word “them.”, insert—

“The Committee encourages the Department to make \$9,000,000 of the current renewable energy credit subsidy available for Indian Energy proposals.”

Amendment by Senator Leahy

On page 95 of the report, after “costs.”, insert—

“The Committee directs the Secretary to complete a survey of previous energy plants that have shutdown, how communities adapted, the opportunities and challenges facing these communities, and resources available to assist with the economic transition. Such a report is to be submitted to the Senate Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources no later than 180 days after the enactment of this act.”

Amendment by Senator Udall

On page 95 of the report, after the word “costs.”, insert—

“Technology Transfer.—In awarding funding from the Technology Commercialization Fund, the Department shall assure cost match with private partners is in accordance with cost sharing in section 988 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16352).”

Amendment by Senator Udall

On page 118 under DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION, Other Departmental Administration, strike 262,417 and add 259,174.

On page 118 under DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION, Office of Technology transitions, strike 5,157 and add 8,400.