

Public Law 96-133
96th Congress

An Act

To amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to extend certain authorities relating to the international energy program, and for other purposes.

Nov. 30, 1979

[S. 1871]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

Energy Policy
and
Conservation
Act,
amendments.

EXTENSION

SECTION 1. Subsection (j) of section 252 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6272(j)) is amended by striking out "November 30, 1979" and inserting in lieu thereof "March 15, 1981".

TRANSCRIPTS

SEC. 2. Subsection (c)(4) of section 252 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6272(c)(4)) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "Such access to any transcript that is required to be kept for any meeting shall be provided as soon as practicable (but not later than 14 days) after that meeting."

REPORT

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Energy, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, and the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, shall prepare and submit to the appropriate committees of Congress, a report concerning the actions taken by them to carry out the provisions of section 252 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act. Such report shall examine and discuss—

42 USC 6272
note.

(1) the extent to which all, or part, of any meeting held in accordance with section 252(c) of such Act to carry out a voluntary agreement or to develop or carry out a plan of action should be open to interested persons in furtherance of the provisions of section 252(c)(1)(A) of such Act;

(2) the policies and procedures followed by the appropriate Federal agencies in reviewing and making public or withholding from the public all, or part, of any transcript of any meeting held to develop or carry out a voluntary agreement or plan of action under section 252 and in permitting persons, other than citizens of the United States, to review such transcripts prior to any public disclosure thereof;

(3) the extent to which the classification of all, or part, of such transcripts should be carried out by one agency;

(4) the adequacy of actions by the responsible Federal agencies in insuring that the standards and procedures required by section 252 are fully implemented and enforced, including the monitoring of the program concerning any anticompetitive effects, and the number of personnel, and the amount of funds, assigned by each such agency to carry out such standards and procedures;

(5) the actions taken, or to be taken, to improve the reporting of energy supply data under the international energy program and

to reconcile such reporting with similar reporting that is conducted by the Department of Energy;

42 USC 6272.

(6) the actions taken, or planned, to improve the reporting required by section 252(i); and

Due date.

(7) other actions under such section.

The Secretary of Energy shall transmit such report to such committees within 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act and shall make such report available to the public.

Approved November 30, 1979.

Section 1 of section 252 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6272) is amended by striking out "November 30, 1979" and inserting in its stead "March 15, 1981."

TRANSFERRING

Section 4 Subsection (a) of section 252 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6272(a)) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "Such access is any restriction that is required to be kept for any meeting shall be provided in some appropriate form not later than 14 days after that meeting."

REPORT

Section 2. The Secretary of Energy in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, and the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission shall review and submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report concerning the actions taken by him to carry out the provisions of section 252 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act. Such report shall examine and discuss— (1) the extent to which all or part of any meeting held in accordance with section 252(a) of such Act to carry out a voluntary agreement or to develop or carry out a plan of action should be open to interested persons in furtherance of the provisions of section 252(a) of such Act; (2) the extent to which the appropriate Federal agencies in reviewing and making public or withholding from the public all or part of any transcript of any meeting held in development or carry out a voluntary agreement or plan of action under section 252 and in particular persons other than citizens of the United States, to review such transcripts prior to any public disclosure thereof; (3) the extent to which the classification of all or part of such transcripts should be carried out by the appropriate Federal agencies; (4) the extent to which the Secretary of Energy should be required to make such report available to the public.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

- HOUSE REPORTS: No. 96-510 accompanying H.R. 4445 (Comm. on Interstate and Foreign Commerce) and No. 96-669 (Comm. of Conference).
- CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 125 (1979):
 - Oct. 17, considered and passed Senate.
 - Oct. 22, H.R. 4445 considered and passed House; passage vacated, and S. 1871, amended, passed in lieu.
 - Oct. 30, Senate concurred in House amendment with an amendment.
 - Nov. 16, Senate receded from its amendment and concurred in House amendment with an amendment.
 - Nov. 28, Senate agreed to conference report.
 - Nov. 29, House agreed to conference report.