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H. R. 9084

To increase transparency relating to the Department of Energy's
authorizations of certain nuclear facilities.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 2, 2026

Ms. CASTOR of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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Energy's authorizations of certain nuclear facilities.

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 Nuclear Transparency Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR DE-**
2 **PARTMENT OF ENERGY ACTIONS RELATING**
3 **TO CERTAIN NUCLEAR FACILITIES.**

4 (a) ALTERATIONS TO DIRECTIVES AND SAFETY
5 STANDARDS.—

6 (1) PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT.—Not later than
7 72 hours after altering a directive or safety standard
8 relating to covered DOE nuclear facilities, the Sec-
9 retary of Energy shall post, on a publicly accessible
10 website of the Department of Energy, an announce-
11 ment regarding such alteration.

12 (2) INCLUSION.—Each announcement under
13 paragraph (1) shall include a summary of how the
14 relevant directive or safety standard was altered.

15 (b) DOCUMENTED SAFETY ANALYSIS.—

16 (1) PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT.—Not later than
17 72 hours after issuing any preliminary documented
18 safety analysis or documented safety analysis with
19 respect to a covered DOE nuclear facility, the Sec-
20 retary of Energy shall post, on a publicly accessible
21 website of the Department of Energy, an announce-
22 ment regarding the issuance of such preliminary
23 documented safety analysis or documented safety
24 analysis.

25 (2) INCLUSION.—

1 (A) ANALYSIS.—Subject to subparagraph
2 (B), each announcement under paragraph (1)
3 shall include the relevant preliminary docu-
4 mented safety analysis or documented safety
5 analysis.

6 (B) COMMERCIALLY SENSITIVE OR CON-
7 TROLLED INFORMATION.—The Secretary of En-
8 ergy may modify a preliminary documented
9 safety analysis or documented safety analysis
10 included in an announcement under paragraph
11 (1) only to ensure that such preliminary docu-
12 mented safety analysis or documented safety
13 analysis does not include any commercially sen-
14 sitive information, classified information, un-
15 classified controlled nuclear information, or con-
16 trolled unclassified information.

17 (c) AUTHORIZATIONS.—Not later than 72 hours after
18 entering into an agreement to authorize a covered DOE
19 nuclear facility, the Secretary of Energy shall post, on a
20 publicly accessible website of the Department of Energy,
21 an announcement regarding such agreement, including in-
22 formation regarding any conditions applying to such
23 agreement.

24 (d) REPORT.—Not later than January 31 of each
25 year, the Secretary of Energy shall submit to the Com-

1 mittee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural
3 Resources of the Senate a report detailing any activities
4 the Secretary of Energy took to authorize covered DOE
5 nuclear facilities during the previous calendar year.

6 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

7 (1) COVERED DOE NUCLEAR FACILITY.—The
8 term “covered DOE nuclear facility” means any of
9 the Hazard Category 1, 2, and 3 DOE nuclear fa-
10 cilities (as such term is defined in section 830.3(a)
11 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect
12 on the date of enactment of this section)) that the
13 Secretary of Energy holds authority over pursuant
14 to section 110 a. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954
15 (42 U.S.C. 2140(a)).

16 (2) DOCUMENTED SAFETY ANALYSIS; PRELIMI-
17 NARY DOCUMENTED SAFETY ANALYSIS.—The terms
18 “documented safety analysis” and “preliminary doc-
19 umented safety analysis” have the meanings given
20 such terms, respectively, in section 830.3(a) of title
21 10, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on the
22 date of enactment of this section).