

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

119TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to update the licensing procedures for uranium enrichment facilities to enable the timely, safe deployment of such facilities, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M. _____ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

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 “American Enrichment
5 Deployment Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. LICENSING OF URANIUM ENRICHMENT FACILITIES.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 193 of the Atomic Energy
3 Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2243) is amended—

4 (1) by striking subsections (a) and (b) and in-
5 serting the following:

6 “(a) AT-RISK CONSTRUCTION.—Commencement of
7 construction of a uranium enrichment facility prior to the
8 issuance of a license under sections 53 and 63 for that
9 facility shall be permitted under the same terms and con-
10 ditions applicable to other fuel cycle facilities licensed
11 under such sections.”;

12 (2) in the first sentence of subsection (c), by
13 striking “construction and”; and

14 (3) by redesignating subsections (e) through (f)
15 as subsections (b) through (e), respectively.

16 (b) REGULATIONS REQUIRED.—Not later than 180
17 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Nuclear
18 Regulatory Commission shall issue or revise regulations
19 to carry out this Act and the amendments made by this
20 Act.

21 (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—None of the amend-
22 ments made by this Act shall be construed to affect—

23 (1) the authority of the Nuclear Regulatory
24 Commission to regulate construction as necessary
25 for issuing a license under sections 53 and 63 of the
26 Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2073; 42

1 U.S.C. 2093) for a uranium enrichment facility, in-
2 cluding the authority to deny an application for such
3 a license for the failure of an applicant to construct
4 such a facility in accordance with regulatory require-
5 ments; or

6 (2) the right of any person whose interest may
7 be affected by a proceeding under the Atomic En-
8 ergy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) to a hear-
9 ing under section 189 of such Act.