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To repeal requirements for unnecessary or obsolete reports from the Department of Energy, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 2, 1996

Mr. JOHNSTON introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

To repeal requirements for unnecessary or obsolete reports from the Department of Energy, and for other purposes.

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 “DOE Reports Elimini-
5 nation and Streamlining Act of 1996”.

6 **SEC. 2. REPEALS AND MODIFICATIONS.**

7 (a) REPORTS ON INDUSTRIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY
8 PROGRAMS.—

1 (1) Section 132(d) of the Energy Policy Act of
2 1992 (42 U.S.C. 7349(d)) is amended by striking
3 “and annually thereafter,”.

4 (2) Section 133(c) of the Energy Policy Act of
5 1992 (42 U.S.C. 6350(c)) is amended by striking
6 “and biennially thereafter,”.

7 (b) STUDY AND REPORT ON VIBRATION REDUCTION
8 TECHNOLOGIES.—Section 173 of the Energy Policy Act
9 of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13451 note) is repealed.

10 (c) REPORTS ON POTENTIAL FINANCIAL INVEST-
11 MENTS BY ELECTRIC UTILITIES IN ELECTRIC BATTERIES
12 FOR MOTOR VEHICLES.—Section 825 of the Energy Pol-
13 icy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13295) is repealed.

14 (d) BIENNIAL REPORTS ON COAL RESEARCH, DE-
15 VELOPMENT, AND DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS.—Section
16 1301(d) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C.
17 13331(d)) is amended by striking “every two years there-
18 after for a period of 6 years” and inserting “not later than
19 6 years thereafter”.

20 (e) CHANGE OF UPDATES TO FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM
21 PLAN FOR ELECTRIC MOTOR VEHICLES TO A BIENNIAL
22 BASIS.—Section 2025(b)(4) of the Energy Policy Act of
23 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13435(b)(4)) is amended by striking
24 “Annual” and inserting “Biennial”.

1 (f) BIENNIAL UPDATE TO NATIONAL ADVANCED MA-
2 TERIALS INITIATIVE FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM PLAN.—Sec-
3 tion 2201(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C.
4 13501(b)) is amended by striking the last sentence.

5 (g) BIENNIAL REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
6 ALASKA SWAP ACT.—Section 6(a) of the Alaska Federal-
7 Civilian Energy Efficiency Swap Act of 1980 (40 U.S.C.
8 795d) is repealed.

9 (h) REPEAL OF UNCONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATIVE
10 VETO AND RELATED REPORT.—Section 54(a) of the
11 Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2074(a)) is
12 amended—

13 (1) by striking the colon at the end of the first
14 proviso and inserting a period; and

15 (2) by striking the second, third, and fourth
16 provisos.

17 (i) CONVERSION OF ANNUAL REPORT ON SCIENTIFIC
18 DRILLING PROGRAM TO PERIODIC JOINT REPORT.—Sec-
19 tion 4(6) of the Continental Scientific Drilling and Explo-
20 ration Act (P.L. 100–441; 102 Stat. 1762) is amended
21 to read as follows:

22 “(6) submitting to the Congress periodic joint
23 reports on significant accomplishments of, and plans
24 for, the drilling program.”

1 (j) INCORPORATION OF ANNUAL REPORT ON STEEL
2 AND ALUMINUM RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVI-
3 TIES INTO THE PRESIDENT’S BUDGET.—Section 8 of the
4 Steel and Aluminum Conservation and Technology Com-
5 petitiveness Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C. 5107) is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 **“SEC. 8. REPORTS.**

8 “As part of the annual budget submission of the
9 President under section 1105 of title 31, United States
10 Code, the Secretary shall provide to Congress a description
11 of research and development activities to be carried out
12 under this Act during the fiscal year involved, together
13 with such legislative recommendations as the Secretary
14 may consider appropriate.”.

15 (k) INCORPORATION OF ANNUAL REPORT ON METAL
16 CASTING RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES
17 INTO THE PRESIDENT’S BUDGET.—Section 10 of the
18 DOE Metal Casting Competitiveness Research Act of
19 1990 (15 U.S.C. 5309) is amended to read as follows:

20 **“SEC. 10. REPORTS.**

21 “As part of the annual budget submission of the
22 President under section 1105 of title 31, United States
23 Code, the Secretary shall provide to Congress a description
24 of research and development activities to be carried out
25 under this Act during the fiscal year involved, together

1 with such legislative recommendations as the Secretary
2 may consider appropriate.”.

3 (l) CONVERSION OF NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY
4 PLAN FROM BIENNIAL REPORT TO QUADRENNIAL RE-
5 PORT.—Section 801(b) of the Department of Energy Or-
6 ganization Act (42 U.S.C. 7321(b)) is amended by strik-
7 ing “biennially” and inserting “every 4 years”.

8 (m) REPEAL OF AUTHORIZATIONS FOR DOE OF-
9 FICES NO LONGER IN EXISTENCE.—

10 (1) OFFICE OF SUBSEABED DISPOSAL RE-
11 SEARCH.—Section 224 of the Nuclear Waste Policy
12 Act of 1982 (42 U.S.C. 10204) is repealed.

13 (2) OFFICE OF ALCOHOL FUELS.—(A) Subtitle
14 A of title II of the Energy Security Act (42 U.S.C.
15 8811 through 8821) is repealed.

16 (B) Any existing loan guarantee under section
17 214 of the Energy Security Act shall remain in ef-
18 fect until the loan is repaid; and the Department of
19 Energy shall continue to administer an existing loan
20 guarantee under section 214 as if subtitle A had not
21 been repealed.

22 (C) The table of contents for the Energy Secu-
23 rity Act is amended by striking the item relating to

- 1 subtitle A of title II and the matters relating to sec-
- 2 tions 211 through 221.

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