

117TH CONGRESS
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S. 2896

To amend the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 to clarify whistleblower rights and protections, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 29, 2021

Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. LANKFORD) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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 “Department of Energy
5 and Nuclear Regulatory Commission Whistleblower Pro-
6 tection Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. CLARIFICATION OF WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS AND**
8 **PROTECTIONS.**

9 Section 211 of the Energy Reorganization Act of
10 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5851) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (b)—

2 (A) in paragraph (1)—

3 (i) in the first sentence, by striking
4 “person in” and inserting “employer in”;
5 and

6 (ii) in the second sentence, by striking
7 “the person” and inserting “the em-
8 ployer”;

9 (B) in paragraph (2)—

10 (i) by striking “the person” each place
11 it appears and inserting “the employer”;
12 and

13 (ii) in subparagraph (B), in the first
14 sentence, by striking “such person” and
15 inserting “such employer”;

16 (2) in subsection (d), in the first sentence, by
17 striking “a person” and inserting “an employer”;
18 and

19 (3) in subsection (e)(1), in the first sentence, by
20 striking “the person” and inserting “the employer”.

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