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# H. R. 2196

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 15, 2011

Mr. MARKEY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Federal Renewable En-  
3 ergy Expansion Act” or the “FREE Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. RENEWABLE ENERGY REQUIREMENT.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 203 of  
6 the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15852(a)) is  
7 amended to read as follows:

8 “(a) REQUIREMENT.—

9 “(1) The President, utilizing the Western Area  
10 Power Administration for electric energy procure-  
11 ment when practicable, shall ensure that, to the ex-  
12 tent economically feasible and technically prac-  
13 ticable, of the total amount of electric energy the  
14 Federal Government consumes during any fiscal  
15 year, the following amounts shall be renewable en-  
16 ergy:

17 “(A) Not less than 10 percent in fiscal  
18 year 2014.

19 “(B) Not less than 12.5 percent in fiscal  
20 years 2015 through 2016.

21 “(C) Not less than 15 percent in fiscal  
22 years 2017 through 2018.

23 “(D) Not less than 17.5 percent in fiscal  
24 years 2019 through 2020.

25 “(E) Not less than 20 percent in fiscal  
26 years 2021 through 2022.

1           “(F) Not less than 22.5 percent in fiscal  
2           years 2023 through 2024.

3           “(G) Not less than 25 percent in fiscal  
4           year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter.

5           “(2) Nothing in this subsection shall require ex-  
6           isting electric energy customers of the Western Area  
7           Power Administration to pay any of the costs the  
8           Administration incurs associated with compliance  
9           with this subsection.”.

10       (b) PRODUCTION ON FEDERAL AND INDIAN  
11       LANDS.—Section 203 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005  
12       (42 U.S.C. 15852) is amended—

13           (1) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-  
14           section (e); and

15           (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-  
16           lowing:

17       “(d) PRODUCTION ON FEDERAL AND INDIAN  
18       LANDS.—The Secretary of the Interior shall seek to maxi-  
19       mize the amounts of renewable energy produced on Fed-  
20       eral lands and Indian land as defined in title XXVI of  
21       the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.)  
22       for purposes of compliance with subsection (a).”.

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