

119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1077

To amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to expedite geothermal exploration and development in previously studied or developed areas.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 6, 2025

Ms. LEE of Nevada (for herself and Ms. MALOY) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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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,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Streamlining Thermal  
5       Energy through Advanced Mechanisms Act” or the  
6       “STEAM Act”.

7       **SEC. 2. NEPA REVIEW.**

8       Section 390 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42  
9       U.S.C. 15942) is amended—

1           (1) in subsection (a), by inserting “, or the  
2       Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 1001 et  
3       seq.) for the purpose of exploration or development  
4       of geothermal resources” after “or gas”; and

5           (2) in subsection (b)—

6                (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “or gas”  
7       and inserting “, gas, or geothermal”; and

8                (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “or gas”  
9       and inserting “, gas, or geothermal”.

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