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H. R. 6983

To require data centers to generate electricity, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. CASAR) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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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 “Preventing Rate Infla-
5 tion in Consumer Energy Act” or the “PRICE Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT FOR DATA CENTERS TO GENERATE**
7 **ELECTRICITY.**

8 (a) REQUIREMENT.—Each data center located in the
9 United States shall generate all of the electricity the data
10 center consumes each year.

11 (b) USE OF CLEAN ENERGY SOURCES.—

1 (1) 75 PERCENT.—During the period beginning
2 on January 1, 2035, and ending on the date de-
3 scribed in paragraph (2), not less than 75 percent
4 of the electricity generated by a data center for pur-
5 poses of subsection (a) shall be from a clean energy
6 source.

7 (2) 100 PERCENT.—Beginning on January 1,
8 2040, 100 percent of the electricity generated by a
9 data center for purposes of subsection (a) shall be
10 from a clean energy source.

11 (c) ENFORCEMENT.—

12 (1) CIVIL PENALTY.—Any data center that vio-
13 lates any provision of this section shall be subject to
14 a civil penalty of not more than \$100,000 per day
15 until the violation is rectified.

16 (2) ESTABLISHMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE
17 PROCESS.—Not later than 30 days after the date of
18 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Energy shall
19 establish an administrative process for the issuance
20 of civil penalties for violations of this section.

21 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

22 (1) CLEAN ENERGY SOURCE.—The term “clean
23 energy source” includes a solar, wind, battery, green
24 hydrogen, hydropower, and geothermal source.

1 (2) DATA CENTER.—The term “data center”
2 means a facility that—
3 (A) is described in section 453(a)(1) of the
4 Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007
5 (42 U.S.C. 17112(a)(1)); and
6 (B) consumes at least 50 megawatts each
7 day.

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