

115TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 5643

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 26, 2018

Ms. ROSEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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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 “Jobs, Not Waste Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STUDYING THE ECONOMIC BENEFIT OF ALTER-**
2 **NATIVE USES OF YUCCA MOUNTAIN SITE.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Energy may not
4 take any action relating to the licensing, planning, devel-
5 opment, or construction of a nuclear waste repository at
6 the Yucca Mountain site until—

7 (1) the Director of the Office of Management
8 and Budget submits to Congress, and makes avail-
9 able to the public, a study on the economic viability
10 and job-creating benefits of alternative uses of the
11 Yucca Mountain site as outlined in GAO Report 11–
12 847, published on September 16, 2011, including—

13 (A) defense activities, such as a command
14 facility for unmanned aircraft systems;

15 (B) a secure electronic data center;

16 (C) the development of renewable energy
17 sources; and

18 (D) scientific research; and

19 (2) Congress holds a hearing on the alternative
20 uses under subparagraphs (A) through (D) of para-
21 graph (1).

22 (b) DEFINITION.—In this Act, the term “Yucca
23 Mountain site” has the meaning given such term in sec-
24 tion 2 of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (42 U.S.C.
25 10101).