

# It's Time to Act on America's NUCLEAR WASTE

Nuclear Matters urges members of Congress to support H.R.3053, the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 2017. This bill has crucial bipartisan support, and it has passed out of the House Energy & Commerce Committee with broad support.



**SUPPORT H.R.3053**  
*Nuclear Waste Policy  
Amendments Act of 2017*

## HERE'S WHAT THE BILL DOES:



It provides options by allowing the federal government to partner with private storage facilities, which will boost jobs, local revenue, and consolidate the storage of used fuel until a repository can be developed



It would enable the completion of the licensing process for the proposed permanent repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada



This bill takes steps to protect electricity consumers by providing access to the Nuclear Waste Fund, while also reducing the hundreds of millions annually paid by taxpayers and used to settle lawsuits due to government inaction



And finally, it empowers states and local communities to work with the federal government to ensure the storage solutions are beneficial for everyone involved

## U.S. INVESTMENT IN NUCLEAR WASTE



**\$40 BILLION**

Amount **electricity customers** have paid into the Nuclear Waste Fund with accrued interest



**\$1.7 BILLION/YEAR**

Investment interest that the Fund accumulates annually



**\$36 BILLION**

Current balance of the Nuclear Waste Fund



**\$2.2 MILLION/DAY**

Court-ordered damage payments from **taxpayers** (more than \$800 million per year)

**35  
YEARS**

How long electricity customers have paid the U.S. Government for a solution to used fuel disposal

**THE TIME TO  
ACT IS NOW!**

  
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