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SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL PROVISIONS

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(a) Findings

The Congress finds that—

(1) the United States has survived a period of energy shortage and has made significant progress toward improving energy efficiency in all sectors of the economy;

(2) effective measures must continue to be taken by the Federal Government and other users and suppliers of energy to control the rate of growth of demand for energy and the efficiency of its use;

(3) the continuation of this effort will permit the United States to become increasingly independent of the world oil market, less vulnerable to interruption of foreign oil supplies, and more able to provide energy to meet future needs; and

(4) all sectors of the economy of the United States should continue to reduce significantly the demand for nonrenewable energy resources such as oil and natural gas by implementing and maintaining effective conservation measures for the efficient use of these and other energy sources.

(b) Statement of purposes

The purposes of this chapter are to provide for the regulation of interstate commerce, to reduce
the growth in demand for energy in the United States, and to conserve nonrenewable energy resources produced in this Nation and elsewhere, without inhibiting beneficial economic growth.


REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (b), was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 95–619, Nov. 9, 1978, 92 Stat. 3206, as amended, known as the National Energy Conservation Policy Act. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out below and Tables.

AMENDMENTS


"(1) the United States faces an energy shortage arising from increasing demand for energy, particularly for oil and natural gas, and insufficient domestic supplies of oil and natural gas to satisfy that demand;

"(2) unless effective measures are promptly taken by the Federal Government and other users of energy to reduce the rate of growth of demand for energy, the United States will become increasingly dependent on the world oil market, increasingly vulnerable to interruptions of foreign oil supplies, and unable to provide the energy to meet future needs; and

"(3) all sectors of our Nation’s economy must begin immediately to significantly reduce the demand for nonrenewable energy resources such as oil and natural gas by implementing and maintaining effective conservation measures for the efficient use of these and other energy sources."

SHORT TITLE OF 1986 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 100–165, §1, Nov. 5, 1986, 102 Stat. 3185, provided that: "This Act [enacting section 5001 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade, amending sections 6381 and 6351 to 6829 of this title, enacting provisions set out as a note under section 8253 of this title] may be cited as the 'Federal Energy Management Improvement Act of 1986'.''

SHORT TITLE OF 1986 AMENDMENT

Section 1 of Pub. L. 99–412 provided that: "This Act [enacting sections 8227 to 8229 of this title, amending sections 8201, 8211, 8213 to 8220, and 8226 of this title, repealing sections 8201 to 8211b, 8232 to 8263, 8283, 8283a, and 8286 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as a note under section 8253 of this title] may be cited as the 'Federal Energy Conservation Policy Act of 1986'.''

SHORT TITLE

Section 101(a) of Pub. L. 95–619 provided that: "This Act [enacting this chapter, sections 14901, 6215, 6311 to 6317, 6344a, 6371, 6371a to 6371l, 6372, 6372a to 6372i, 6373, 6373a, and 7111 of this title, and sections 1723h to 1723i of Title 12, Banks and Banking, amending sections 300k–2, 300n–1, 1347c, 1471, 1474, 1483, 6202, 6211, 6231 to 6233, 6243 to 6245, 6257, 6258, 6259 to 6261, 6263 to 6265, 6291 to 6295, 6301 to 6309, 6313 to 6315, 6341 to 6344, 6361 to 6381, 6382, 6891, 6893, 6901, and 6982 of this title, sections 1451, 1700, 1709, 1713, 1715c–6, 1717, and 1735f–4 of Title 12, and sections 2006 and 2006b of Title 15, Commerce and Trade, repealing section 6937 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under this title, sections 6321, 6344a, 6345, 6371, and 6372 of this title, section 2006 of Title 15, and section 217 of Title 23, Highways] may be cited as the 'National Energy Conservation Policy Act'.''

Section 561 of Pub. L. 95–619 provided that: "This part [part 4 (§§561–569) of title V of Pub. L. 95–619, enacting sections 8271 to 8278 of this title] may be cited as the 'Federal Photovoltaic Utilization Act.'"