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119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

To amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to require States to consider measures that limit the amount of retail utility rate increases a utility company can request to once every 365 days.

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**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Mr. HARDER of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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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 “Stop the Rate Hikes  
5       Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONSIDERATION OF MEASURES TO CAP RETAIL**  
2 **UTILITY RATE INCREASES TO ONCE A YEAR.**

3 Section 111(d) of the Public Utility Regulatory Poli-  
4 cies Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2621(d)) is amended by add-  
5 ing at the end the following:

6 “(22) CAP ON RETAIL UTILITY RATE IN-  
7 CREASES TO ONCE A YEAR.—Each electric utility  
8 shall request no more than one rate increase once  
9 per year.”.