

# Union Calendar No. 109

119<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 1373

**[Report No. 119-140]**

To require certain meetings of the Tennessee Valley Authority to be transparent and open to the public, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 14, 2025

Mr. BURCHETT (for himself and Mr. COHEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

JUNE 5, 2025

Additional sponsor: Ms. LEE of Nevada

JUNE 5, 2025

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 14, 2025]

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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 “Tennessee Valley Author-*  
5 *ity Transparency Act of 2025”.*

6 **SEC. 2. TRANSPARENCY AND AVAILABILITY OF MEETINGS.**

7        *Section 2(g)(2) of the Tennessee Valley Authority Act*  
8 *of 1933 is amended to read as follows:*

9                *“(2) MEETINGS.—*

10                    *“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Board shall meet*  
11 *at least 4 times each year.*

12                    *“(B) TRANSPARENCY.—*

13                            *“(i) OPEN MEETINGS.—For purposes of*  
14 *applying the requirements of section 552b of*  
15 *title 5, United States Code, to the Board,*  
16 *the term ‘meeting’ shall include all delibera-*  
17 *tions of the members of the Board, a com-*  
18 *mittee of the Board, and a subcommittee of*  
19 *the Board, including any such deliberations*  
20 *that are not scheduled for the purpose of*  
21 *taking an action that will determine or re-*  
22 *sult in the joint conduct or disposition of of-*  
23 *ficial business of the Corporation, notwith-*  
24 *standing subsection (a)(2) of such section.*

25                            *“(ii) NOTICE OF MEETINGS.—*

1                   “(I) *PUBLICATION.*—For purposes  
2                   of section 552b of title 5, United States  
3                   Code, public announcement of meetings  
4                   shall include publication on the website  
5                   of the Board.

6                   “(II) *EMERGENCY MEETINGS.*—  
7                   Notwithstanding section 552b(e)(1) of  
8                   title 5, United States Code, the require-  
9                   ment to make public announcement at  
10                  least one week prior to a meeting shall  
11                  not apply if the chairman of the Board  
12                  designates the meeting as an emergency  
13                  special meeting.

14                  “(iii) *PUBLICLY AVAILABLE INFORMA-*  
15                  *TION.*—The Board shall publish on the  
16                  website of the Board any information re-  
17                  quired to be disclosed or made available to  
18                  the public, or publicly certified, under sec-  
19                  tion 552b of title 5, United States Code.

20                  “(iv) *EXEMPTIONS.*—For purposes of  
21                  applying section 552b of title 5, United  
22                  States Code, to any portion of a meeting of  
23                  the Board, and to any information per-  
24                  taining to such portion of a meeting, the  
25                  Board may make a determination in ac-

1                   *cordance with such section not to disclose to*  
2                   *the public under such section the following*  
3                   *information:*

4                               “(I) *Information containing or re-*  
5                               *lating to power availability requests.*

6                               “(II) *Information containing or*  
7                               *relating to contract negotiations, in-*  
8                               *cluding labor relations and procure-*  
9                               *ment actions, the disclosure of which*  
10                              *would imperil or compromise the com-*  
11                              *petitive position of the Corporation.”.*

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