RADIOACTIVE WASTE IMPORTATION

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House Committee Energy & Commerce

This is a hearing on the Radioactive Import Deterrence Act (H.R. 515), which would ban the importation of certain kinds of radioactive waste. At issue is a Utah company's plan to import 20,000 tons of low-level radioactive waste from Italy (which would be processed in Tennessee and compacted to 1,600 tons) for storage at a facility in Utah. Tennessee Congressman Bart Gordon, one of the lead sponsors of this bill, takes part in this hearing. He is not on this subcommittee, but he is on the full committee, and he chairs the House Science and Technology Committee.

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