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Page 800, after line 2, insert the following:

1	SEC. 20303. STUDY ON ENERGY CONSERVATION STANDARD
2	FOR OVERHEAD ELECTRICITY CONDUCTORS.
3	(a) In General.—Not later than 180 days after the
4	date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Energy
5	shall conduct a study regarding the environmental, eco-
6	nomic, and renewable energy deployment benefits of estab-
7	lishing an energy conservation standard for overhead elec-
8	tricity conductors under title III of the Energy Policy and
9	Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6291 et seq.).
10	(b) Contents.—In carrying out the study under this
11	section, the Secretary shall examine—
12	(1) whether establishing an energy conservation
13	standard for overhead electricity conductors would—
14	(A) reduce line losses and associated emis-
15	sions;
16	(B) expedite the deployment of additional
17	transmission capacity to clear interconnection
18	queues and accommodate additional renewable
19	capacity on the electric grid;

1	(C) reduce transmission line sagging in
2	wildfire-prone regions; and
3	(D) reduce permitting timelines for adding
4	new transmission capacity to the electric grid;
5	and
6	(2) any additional matters the Secretary deter-
7	mines appropriate.
8	(c) Coordination.—The Secretary shall coordinate
9	with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in car-
10	rying out the study under this section.
11	(d) Report.—Not later than 1 year after the date
12	of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to
13	Congress, and make public, a report containing the results
14	of the study conducted under this section.

