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## New Law Mandates Phasing in of Energy Efficient Light Bulbs

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It's official: incandescent lamps are on their way out, and energy efficiency is now the law of the land, thanks to a new bill signed by President Bush in December.

Beginning in 2012, and phased in over three years, all new bulbs will have to use 25% to 30% less energy for the same light output as today's incandescents.

Called the "Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007," the law includes a few provisions having to do with lighting.

The energy efficiency phase-in will start with 100-watt bulbs in January 2012 and end with 40-watt bulbs in January 2014.

By 2020, bulbs must be 70% more efficient.

To get the inner workings of the law, and its technical impact, visit the About Lighting Controls [website](#).

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