

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 341

To amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the outer Continental Shelf in the Mid-Atlantic, South Atlantic, North Atlantic, Straits of Florida, and Eastern Gulf of Mexico planning areas.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 8, 2019

Mr. PALLONE (for himself, Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. SIRES, Mrs. DEMINGS, Ms. NORTON, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. PASCRELL, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Ms. SHALALA, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mrs. LURIA, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. LIPINSKI, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. KIM, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. SHERRILL, Mr. KEATING, Mr. ROONEY of Florida, Mr. COHEN, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Ms. OMAR, and Mr. BEYER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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 “Clean Ocean and Safe
5 Tourism Anti-Drilling Act” or the “COAST Anti-Drilling
6 Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN CER-**
8 **TAIN AREAS OF THE OUTER CONTINENTAL**
9 **SHELF.**

10 Section 8 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act
11 (43 U.S.C. 1337) is amended by adding at the end the
12 following:

13 “(q) PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN
14 CERTAIN AREAS OF THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF.—
15 Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or any
16 other law, the Secretary of the Interior shall not issue a
17 lease or any other authorization for the exploration, devel-
18 opment, or production of oil, natural gas, or any other
19 mineral in—

20 “(1) the Mid-Atlantic planning area;

21 “(2) the South Atlantic planning area;

22 “(3) the North Atlantic planning area;

23 “(4) the Straits of Florida planning area; or

1 “(5) the Eastern Gulf of Mexico planning
2 area.”.

