

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4031

To prohibit drilling in the Arctic Ocean.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 12, 2023

Mr. HUFFMAN (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. BEYER, Mr. PETERS, Ms. BROWNLEY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, and Ms. JAYAPAL) 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 “Stop Arctic Ocean
5 Drilling Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN ARCTIC**
2 **OCEAN AREAS OF THE OUTER CONTINENTAL**
3 **SHELF.**

4 Section 8 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act
5 (43 U.S.C. 1337) is amended by adding at the end the
6 following:

7 “(q) PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN
8 ARCTIC PLANNING AREA OF THE OUTER CONTINENTAL
9 SHELF.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act
10 or any other law, the Secretary of the Interior shall not
11 issue or renew a lease or any other authorization for the
12 exploration, development, or production of oil, natural gas,
13 or any other mineral in the Arctic Ocean, including the
14 Beaufort Sea and Chukchi Sea Planning Areas.”.

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