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H. R. 7231

To provide regulatory relief for conventional marginally producing oil and gas wells from the Environmental Protection Agency’s “Methane Rule”.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 10, 2018

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Methane Rule Relief
5 Act of 2018”.

6 **SEC. 2. APPLICATION OF METHANE RULE.**

7 The final rule titled “Oil and Natural Gas Sector:
8 Emission Standards for New, Reconstructed, and Modi-
9 fied Sources” (81 Fed. Reg. 35824, June 3, 2016), and
10 the document titled “Control Techniques Guidelines for

1 the Oil and Natural Gas Industry’’ (October 2016), pub-
2 lished by the Environmental Protection Agency, shall not
3 apply with respect to—

4 (1) any oil well that has a maximum daily aver-
5 age oil production, during any 12-month consecutive
6 time period, that does not exceed 15 barrels of oil
7 per day;

8 (2) any natural gas well that has a maximum
9 daily average gas production, during any 12-month
10 consecutive time period, that does not exceed 90,000
11 cubic feet per day; or

12 (3) any emissions source covered by the rule
13 that is associated with an oil well described in para-
14 graph (1) or a natural gas well described in para-
15 graph (2).

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