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H. R. 1085

To require the Secretary of Energy to direct the National Petroleum Council to issue a report with respect to petrochemical refineries in the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 17, 2023

Mr. LATTA 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 “Researching Efficient
5 Federal Improvements for Necessary Energy Refining
6 Act” or the “REFINER Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON PETROCHEMICAL REFINERIES.**

2 Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment
3 of this section, the Secretary of Energy shall direct the
4 National Petroleum Council to—

5 (1) submit to the Secretary of Energy and Con-
6 gress a report containing—

7 (A) an examination of the role of petro-
8 chemical refineries located in the United States
9 and the contributions of such petrochemical re-
10 fineries to the energy security of the United
11 States, including the reliability of supply in the
12 United States of liquid fuels and feedstocks,
13 and the affordability of liquid fuels for con-
14 sumers in the United States;

15 (B) analyses and projections with respect
16 to—

17 (i) the capacity of petrochemical refin-
18 eries located in the United States;

19 (ii) opportunities for expanding such
20 capacity; and

21 (iii) the risks to petrochemical refin-
22 eries located in the United States;

23 (C) an assessment of any Federal or State
24 executive actions, regulations, or policies that
25 have caused or contributed to a decline in the

1 capacity of petrochemical refineries located in
2 the United States; and

3 (D) any recommendations for Federal
4 agencies and Congress to encourage an increase
5 in the capacity of petrochemical refineries lo-
6 cated in the United States; and

7 (2) make publicly available the report submitted
8 under paragraph (1).

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