

Union Calendar No. 12

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1085

[Report No. 118–20]

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

MARCH 23, 2023

Additional sponsors: Mr. Pence, Mr. Balderon, Mr. Weber of Texas, Mr. Duncan, Mrs. Lesko, Mr. Walberg, and Mr. Curtis

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Reported from the Committee on Energy and Commerce; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

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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”.

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

8 Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment
9 of this section, the Secretary of Energy shall direct the
10 National Petroleum Council to—

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

13 (A) an examination of the role of petro-
14 chemical refineries located in the United States
15 and the contributions of such petrochemical re-
16 fineries to the energy security of the United
17 States, including the reliability of supply in the
18 United States of liquid fuels and feedstocks,
19 and the affordability of liquid fuels for con-
20 sumers in the United States;

21 (B) analyses and projections with respect
22 to—

23 (i) the capacity of petrochemical refin-
24 eries located in the United States;

1 (ii) opportunities for expanding such
2 capacity; and

3 (iii) the risks to petrochemical refin-
4 eries located in the United States;

5 (C) an assessment of any Federal or State
6 executive actions, regulations, or policies that
7 have caused or contributed to a decline in the
8 capacity of petrochemical refineries located in
9 the United States; and

10 (D) any recommendations for Federal
11 agencies and Congress to encourage an increase
12 in the capacity of petrochemical refineries lo-
13 cated in the United States; and

14 (2) make publicly available the report submitted
15 under paragraph (1).

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