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Mr. BISHOP of Utah (for himself, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. JORDAN of Ohio, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. AKIN, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. LEWIS of California, Ms. FOXX, Mr. HERGER, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. PITTS, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. BROUN of Georgia, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. MCCARTHY of California, Mr. FLEMING, Mr. LATTA, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, and Mr. MCCOTTER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Energy and Commerce, and Science and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

2 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the
3 “No Cost Stimulus Act of 2009”.

4 (b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents of
5 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF LEASING

Sec. 101. Leasing program considered approved.

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Sec. 208. Federal and State distribution of revenues.

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Sec. 210. Conveyance.

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Sec. 301. Commercial leasing program for oil shale resources on public land.

Sec. 302. Licensing of new nuclear power plants.

Sec. 303. Jurisdiction over covered energy projects.

Sec. 304. Environmental impact statements.

Sec. 305. Clean air regulation.

Sec. 306. Endangered species.

6 **TITLE I—OUTER CONTINENTAL**
7 **SHELF LEASING**

8 **SEC. 101. LEASING PROGRAM CONSIDERED APPROVED.**

9 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Draft Proposed Outer Conti-
10 nental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program 2010–2015
11 issued by the Secretary of the Interior (referred to in this

1 section as the “Secretary”) under section 18 of the Outer
2 Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1344) is consid-
3 ered to have been approved by the Secretary as a final
4 oil and gas leasing program under that section.

5 (b) FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT.—
6 The Secretary is considered to have issued a final environ-
7 mental impact statement for the program described in
8 subsection (a) in accordance with all requirements under
9 section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy
10 Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C)).

11 **SEC. 102. LEASE SALES.**

12 (a) OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
14 graph (2), not later than 30 days after the date of
15 enactment of this Act and every 270 days thereafter,
16 the Secretary of the Interior (referred to in this sec-
17 tion as the “Secretary”) shall conduct a lease sale
18 in each outer Continental Shelf planning area for
19 which the Secretary determines that there is a com-
20 mercial interest in purchasing Federal oil and gas
21 leases for production on the outer Continental Shelf.

22 (2) SUBSEQUENT DETERMINATIONS AND
23 SALES.—If the Secretary determines that there is
24 not a commercial interest in purchasing Federal oil
25 and gas leases for production on the outer Conti-

1 (1) in subsection (c), by adding at the end the
2 following:

3 “(5) APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS; AVAIL-
4 ABILITY OF FUNDING.—On approval of a plan by
5 the Secretary under this section, the producing State
6 shall—

7 “(A) not be subject to any additional appli-
8 cation or other requirements (other than noti-
9 fying the Secretary of which projects are being
10 carried out under the plan) to receive the pay-
11 ments; and

12 “(B) be immediately eligible to receive pay-
13 ments under this section.”; and

14 (2) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(e) FUNDING.—

16 “(1) STREAMLINING.—

17 “(A) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days
18 after the date of enactment of this subsection,
19 the Secretary of the Interior (acting through
20 the Director of the Minerals Management Serv-
21 ice) (referred to in this subsection as the ‘Sec-
22 retary’) shall develop a plan that addresses
23 streamlining the process by which payments are
24 made under this section, including rec-
25 ommendations for—

1 “(i) decreasing the time required to
2 approve plans submitted under subsection
3 (c)(1);

4 “(ii) ensuring that allocations to pro-
5 ducing States under subsection (b) are
6 adequately funded; and

7 “(iii) any modifications to the author-
8 ized uses for payments under subsection
9 (d).

10 “(B) CLEAN WATER.—Not later than 180
11 days after the date of enactment of this sub-
12 section, the Secretary and the Administrator of
13 the Environmental Protection Agency shall
14 jointly develop procedures for streamlining the
15 permit process required under the Federal
16 Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et
17 seq.) and State laws for restoration projects
18 that are included in an approved plan under
19 subsection (c).

20 “(C) ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS.—
21 A project funded under this section that does
22 not involve wetlands shall not be subject to en-
23 vironmental review requirements under Federal
24 law.

1 “(2) COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS.—Any
2 amounts made available to producing States under
3 this section may be used to meet the cost-sharing re-
4 quirements of other Federal grant programs, includ-
5 ing grant programs that support coastal wetland
6 protection and restoration.

7 “(3) EXPEDITED FUNDING.—Not later than
8 180 days after the date of enactment of this sub-
9 section, the Secretary shall develop a procedure to
10 provide expedited funding to projects under this sec-
11 tion based on estimated revenues to ensure that the
12 projects may—

13 “(A) secure additional funds from other
14 sources; and

15 “(B) use the amounts made available
16 under this section on receipt.”.

17 **SEC. 104. SEAWARD BOUNDARIES OF STATES.**

18 (a) SEAWARD BOUNDARIES.—Section 4 of the Sub-
19 merged Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1312) is amended by strik-
20 ing “three geographical miles” each place it appears and
21 inserting “12 nautical miles”.

22 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 2 of the
23 Submerged Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1301) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a)(2), by striking “three geo-
2 graphical miles” and inserting “12 nautical miles”;
3 and

4 (2) in subsection (b)—

5 (A) by striking “three geographical miles”
6 and inserting “12 nautical miles”; and

7 (B) by striking “three marine leagues” and
8 inserting “12 nautical miles”.

9 (c) EFFECT OF AMENDMENTS.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraphs (2)
11 through (4), the amendments made by this section
12 shall not effect Federal oil and gas mineral rights.

13 (2) SUBMERGED LAND.—Submerged land with-
14 in the seaward boundaries of States shall be—

15 (A) subject to Federal oil and gas mineral
16 rights to the extent provided by law;

17 (B) considered to be part of the Federal
18 outer Continental Shelf for purposes of the
19 Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C.
20 1331 et seq.); and

21 (C) subject to leasing under the authority
22 of that Act and to laws applicable to the leasing
23 of the oil and gas resources of the Federal
24 outer Continental Shelf.

1 (3) EXISTING LEASES.—The amendments made
2 by this section shall not affect any Federal oil and
3 gas lease in effect on the date of enactment of this
4 Act.

5 (4) TAXATION.—

6 (A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-
7 graph (B), a State may exercise all of the sov-
8 ereign powers of taxation of the State within
9 the entire extent of the seaward boundaries of
10 the State (as extended by the amendments
11 made by this section).

12 (B) LIMITATION.—Nothing in this para-
13 graph affects the authority of a State to tax
14 any Federal oil and gas lease in effect on the
15 date of enactment of this Act.

16 **TITLE II—LEASING PROGRAM**
17 **FOR LAND WITHIN COASTAL**
18 **PLAIN**

19 **SEC. 201. DEFINITIONS.**

20 In this title:

21 (1) COASTAL PLAIN.—The term “Coastal
22 Plain” means that area identified as the “1002
23 Coastal Plain Area” on the map.

24 (2) FEDERAL AGREEMENT.—The term “Fed-
25 eral Agreement” means the Federal Agreement and

1 Grant Right-of-Way for the Trans-Alaska Pipeline
2 issued on January 23, 1974, in accordance with sec-
3 tion 28 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 185)
4 and the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Authorization Act
5 (43 U.S.C. 1651 et seq.).

6 (3) FINAL STATEMENT.—The term “Final
7 Statement” means the final legislative environmental
8 impact statement on the Coastal Plain, dated April
9 1987, and prepared pursuant to section 1002 of the
10 Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act
11 (16 U.S.C. 3142) and section 102(2)(C) of the Na-
12 tional Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.
13 4332(2)(C)).

14 (4) MAP.—The term “map” means the map en-
15 titled “Arctic National Wildlife Refuge”, dated Sep-
16 tember 2005, and prepared by the United States Ge-
17 ological Survey.

18 (5) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
19 the Secretary of the Interior (or the designee of the
20 Secretary), acting through the Director of the Bu-
21ureau of Land Management, in consultation with the
22 Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife
23 Service.

1 **SEC. 202. LEASING PROGRAM FOR LAND WITHIN THE**
2 **COASTAL PLAIN.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall take such ac-
4 tions as are necessary—

5 (1) to establish and implement, in accordance
6 with this title, a competitive oil and gas leasing pro-
7 gram that will result in an environmentally sound
8 program for the exploration, development, and pro-
9 duction of the oil and gas resources of the Coastal
10 Plain; and

11 (2) to administer this title through regulations,
12 lease terms, conditions, restrictions, prohibitions,
13 stipulations, and other provisions that—

14 (A) ensure the oil and gas exploration, de-
15 velopment, and production activities on the
16 Coastal Plain will result in no significant ad-
17 verse effect on fish and wildlife, their habitat,
18 subsistence resources, and the environment; and

19 (B) require the application of the best
20 commercially available technology for oil and
21 gas exploration, development, and production to
22 all exploration, development, and production op-
23 erations under this title in a manner that en-
24 sures the receipt of fair market value by the
25 public for the mineral resources to be leased.

26 (b) REPEAL.—

1 (1) REPEAL.—Section 1003 of the Alaska Na-
2 tional Interest Lands Conservation Act of 1980 (16
3 U.S.C. 3143) is repealed.

4 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of
5 contents contained in section 1 of that Act (16
6 U.S.C. 3101 note) is amended by striking the item
7 relating to section 1003.

8 (3) COMPLIANCE WITH NEPA FOR OTHER AC-
9 TIONS.—

10 (A) IN GENERAL.—Before conducting the
11 first lease sale under this title, the Secretary
12 shall prepare an environmental impact state-
13 ment in accordance with the National Environ-
14 mental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et
15 seq.) with respect to the actions authorized by
16 this title that are not referred to in paragraph
17 (2).

18 (B) IDENTIFICATION AND ANALYSIS.—
19 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in
20 carrying out this paragraph, the Secretary shall
21 not be required—

22 (i) to identify nonleasing alternative
23 courses of action; or

24 (ii) to analyze the environmental ef-
25 fects of those courses of action.

1 (C) IDENTIFICATION OF PREFERRED AC-
2 TION.—Not later than 18 months after the date
3 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall—

4 (i) identify only a preferred action and
5 a single leasing alternative for the first
6 lease sale authorized under this title; and

7 (ii) analyze the environmental effects
8 and potential mitigation measures for
9 those 2 alternatives.

10 (D) PUBLIC COMMENTS.—In carrying out
11 this paragraph, the Secretary shall consider
12 only public comments that are filed not later
13 than 20 days after the date of publication of a
14 draft environmental impact statement.

15 (E) EFFECT OF COMPLIANCE.—Notwith-
16 standing any other provision of law, compliance
17 with this paragraph shall be considered to sat-
18 isfy all requirements for the analysis and con-
19 sideration of the environmental effects of pro-
20 posed leasing under this title.

21 (c) RELATIONSHIP TO STATE AND LOCAL AUTHOR-
22 ITY.—Nothing in this title expands or limits any State or
23 local regulatory authority.

24 (d) SPECIAL AREAS.—

25 (1) DESIGNATION.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, after
2 consultation with the State of Alaska, the
3 North Slope Borough, Alaska, and the City of
4 Kaktovik, Alaska, may designate not more than
5 45,000 acres of the Coastal Plain as a special
6 area if the Secretary determines that the special
7 area would be of such unique character and in-
8 terest as to require special management and
9 regulatory protection.

10 (B) SADLEROCHIT SPRING AREA.—The
11 Secretary shall designate as a special area in
12 accordance with subparagraph (A) the
13 Sadlerochit Spring area, comprising approxi-
14 mately 4,000 acres as depicted on the map.

15 (2) MANAGEMENT.—The Secretary shall man-
16 age each special area designated under this sub-
17 section in a manner that preserves the unique and
18 diverse character of the area, including fish, wildlife,
19 subsistence resources, and cultural values of the
20 area.

21 (3) EXCLUSION FROM LEASING OR SURFACE
22 OCCUPANCY.—

23 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may ex-
24 clude any special area designated under this
25 subsection from leasing.

1 (B) NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY.—If the Sec-
2 retary leases all or a portion of a special area
3 for the purposes of oil and gas exploration, de-
4 velopment, production, and related activities,
5 there shall be no surface occupancy of the land
6 comprising the special area.

7 (4) DIRECTIONAL DRILLING.—Notwithstanding
8 any other provision of this subsection, the Secretary
9 may lease all or a portion of a special area under
10 terms that permit the use of horizontal drilling tech-
11 nology from sites on leases located outside the spe-
12 cial area.

13 (e) LIMITATION ON CLOSED AREAS.—The Secretary
14 may not close land within the Coastal Plain to oil and gas
15 leasing or to exploration, development, or production ex-
16 cept in accordance with this title.

17 (f) REGULATIONS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 15 months
19 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
20 retary shall promulgate such regulations as are nec-
21 essary to carry out this title, including rules and
22 regulations relating to protection of the fish and
23 wildlife, fish and wildlife habitat, subsistence re-
24 sources, and environment of the Coastal Plain.

1 (2) REVISION OF REGULATIONS.—The Sec-
2 retary shall periodically review and, as appropriate,
3 revise the rules and regulations issued under para-
4 graph (1) to reflect any significant biological, envi-
5 ronmental, scientific or engineering data that come
6 to the attention of the Secretary.

7 **SEC. 203. LEASE SALES.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Land may be leased pursuant to
9 this title to any person qualified to obtain a lease for de-
10 posits of oil and gas under the Mineral Leasing Act (30
11 U.S.C. 181 et seq.).

12 (b) PROCEDURES.—The Secretary shall, by regula-
13 tion, establish procedures for—

14 (1) receipt and consideration of sealed nomina-
15 tions for any area in the Coastal Plain for inclusion
16 in, or exclusion (as provided in subsection (c)) from,
17 a lease sale;

18 (2) the holding of lease sales after that nomina-
19 tion process; and

20 (3) public notice of and comment on designa-
21 tion of areas to be included in, or excluded from, a
22 lease sale.

23 (c) LEASE SALE BIDS.—Bidding for leases under
24 this title shall be by sealed competitive cash bonus bids.

1 (d) ACREAGE MINIMUM IN FIRST SALE.—For the
2 first lease sale under this title, the Secretary shall offer
3 for lease those tracts the Secretary considers to have the
4 greatest potential for the discovery of hydrocarbons, tak-
5 ing into consideration nominations received pursuant to
6 subsection (b)(1), but in no case less than 200,000 acres.

7 (e) TIMING OF LEASE SALES.—The Secretary
8 shall—

9 (1) not later than 22 months after the date of
10 enactment of this Act, conduct the first lease sale
11 under this title;

12 (2) not later than 90 days after the date of the
13 completion of the sale, evaluate the bids in the sale
14 and issue leases resulting from the sale; and

15 (3) conduct additional sales at appropriate in-
16 tervals if sufficient interest in exploration or devel-
17 opment exists to warrant the conduct of the addi-
18 tional sales.

19 **SEC. 204. GRANT OF LEASES BY THE SECRETARY.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—On payment by a lessee of such
21 bonus as may be accepted by the Secretary, the Secretary
22 may grant to the highest responsible qualified bidder in
23 a lease sale conducted pursuant to section 203 a lease for
24 any land on the Coastal Plain.

25 (b) SUBSEQUENT TRANSFERS.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—No lease issued under this
2 title may be sold, exchanged, assigned, sublet, or
3 otherwise transferred except with the approval of the
4 Secretary.

5 (2) CONDITION FOR APPROVAL.—Before grant-
6 ing any approval described in paragraph (1), the
7 Secretary shall consult with and give due consider-
8 ation to the opinion of the Attorney General.

9 **SEC. 205. LEASE TERMS AND CONDITIONS.**

10 An oil or gas lease issued pursuant to this title
11 shall—

12 (1) provide for the payment of a royalty of not
13 less than 12½ percent of the amount or value of the
14 production removed or sold from the lease, as deter-
15 mined by the Secretary in accordance with regula-
16 tions applicable to other Federal oil and gas leases;

17 (2) provide that the Secretary may close, on a
18 seasonal basis, such portions of the Coastal Plain to
19 exploratory drilling activities as are necessary to
20 protect caribou calving areas and other species of
21 fish and wildlife;

22 (3) require that each lessee of land within the
23 Coastal Plain shall be fully responsible and liable for
24 the reclamation of land within the Coastal Plain and
25 any other Federal land that is adversely affected in

1 connection with exploration, development, produc-
2 tion, or transportation activities within the Coastal
3 Plain conducted by the lessee or by any of the sub-
4 contractors or agents of the lessee;

5 (4) provide that the lessee may not delegate or
6 convey, by contract or otherwise, that reclamation
7 responsibility and liability to another person without
8 the express written approval of the Secretary;

9 (5) provide that the standard of reclamation for
10 land required to be reclaimed under this title shall
11 be, to the maximum extent practicable—

12 (A) a condition capable of supporting the
13 uses that the land was capable of supporting
14 prior to any exploration, development, or pro-
15 duction activities; or

16 (B) on application by the lessee, to a high-
17 er or better standard, as approved by the Sec-
18 retary;

19 (6) contain terms and conditions relating to
20 protection of fish and wildlife, fish and wildlife habi-
21 tat, subsistence resources, and the environment as
22 required under section 202(a)(2);

23 (7) provide that each lessee, and each agent
24 and contractor of a lessee, use their best efforts to
25 provide a fair share of employment and contracting

1 for Alaska Natives and Alaska Native Corporations
2 from throughout the State of Alaska, as determined
3 by the level of obligation previously agreed to in the
4 Federal Agreement; and

5 (8) contain such other provisions as the Sec-
6 retary determines to be necessary to ensure compli-
7 ance with this title and the regulations promulgated
8 under this title.

9 **SEC. 206. COASTAL PLAIN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.**

10 (a) NO SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT STANDARD
11 TO GOVERN AUTHORIZED COASTAL PLAIN ACTIVITIES.—

12 In accordance with section 202, the Secretary shall admin-
13 ister this title through regulations, lease terms, conditions,
14 restrictions, prohibitions, stipulations, or other provisions
15 that—

16 (1) ensure, to the maximum extent practicable,
17 that oil and gas exploration, development, and pro-
18 duction activities on the Coastal Plain will result in
19 no significant adverse effect on fish and wildlife, fish
20 and wildlife habitat, and the environment;

21 (2) require the application of the best commer-
22 cially available technology for oil and gas explo-
23 ration, development, and production on all new ex-
24 ploration, development, and production operations;
25 and

1 (3) ensure that the maximum surface acreage
2 covered in connection with the leasing program by
3 production and support facilities, including airstrips
4 and any areas covered by gravel berms or piers for
5 support of pipelines, does not exceed 2,000 acres on
6 the Coastal Plain.

7 (b) **SITE-SPECIFIC ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION.**—
8 The Secretary shall require, with respect to any proposed
9 drilling and related activities on the Coastal Plain, that—

10 (1) a site-specific analysis be made of the prob-
11 able effects, if any, that the drilling or related activi-
12 ties will have on fish and wildlife, fish and wildlife
13 habitat, subsistence resources, subsistence uses, and
14 the environment;

15 (2) a plan be implemented to avoid, minimize,
16 and mitigate (in that order and to the maximum ex-
17 tent practicable) any significant adverse effect iden-
18 tified under paragraph (1); and

19 (3) the development of the plan shall occur
20 after consultation with the 1 or more agencies hav-
21 ing jurisdiction over matters mitigated by the plan.

22 (c) **REGULATIONS TO PROTECT COASTAL PLAIN**
23 **FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES, SUBSISTENCE USERS,**
24 **AND THE ENVIRONMENT.**—Before implementing the leas-
25 ing program authorized by this title, the Secretary shall

1 prepare and issue regulations, lease terms, conditions, re-
2 strictions, prohibitions, stipulations, or other measures de-
3 signed to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable, that
4 the activities carried out on the Coastal Plain under this
5 title are conducted in a manner consistent with the pur-
6 poses and environmental requirements of this title.

7 (d) COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE ENVI-
8 RONMENTAL LAWS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—The
9 proposed regulations, lease terms, conditions, restrictions,
10 prohibitions, and stipulations for the leasing program
11 under this title shall require—

12 (1) compliance with all applicable provisions of
13 Federal and State environmental law (including reg-
14 ulations);

15 (2) implementation of and compliance with—

16 (A) standards that are at least as effective
17 as the safety and environmental mitigation
18 measures, as described in items 1 through 29
19 on pages 167 through 169 of the Final State-
20 ment, on the Coastal Plain;

21 (B) seasonal limitations on exploration, de-
22 velopment, and related activities, as necessary,
23 to avoid significant adverse effects during peri-
24 ods of concentrated fish and wildlife breeding,
25 denning, nesting, spawning, and migration;

1 (C) design safety and construction stand-
2 ards for all pipelines and any access and service
3 roads that minimize, to the maximum extent
4 practicable, adverse effects on—

5 (i) the passage of migratory species
6 (such as caribou); and

7 (ii) the flow of surface water by re-
8 quiring the use of culverts, bridges, or
9 other structural devices;

10 (D) prohibitions on general public access
11 to, and use of, all pipeline access and service
12 roads;

13 (E) stringent reclamation and rehabilita-
14 tion requirements in accordance with this title
15 for the removal from the Coastal Plain of all oil
16 and gas development and production facilities,
17 structures, and equipment on completion of oil
18 and gas production operations, except in a case
19 in which the Secretary determines that those
20 facilities, structures, or equipment—

21 (i) would assist in the management of
22 the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge; and

23 (ii) are donated to the United States
24 for that purpose;

1 (F) appropriate prohibitions or restrictions

2 on—

3 (i) access by all modes of transpor-

4 tation;

5 (ii) sand and gravel extraction; and

6 (iii) use of explosives;

7 (G) reasonable stipulations for protection

8 of cultural and archaeological resources;

9 (H) measures to protect groundwater and

10 surface water, including—

11 (i) avoidance, to the maximum extent

12 practicable, of springs, streams, and river

13 systems;

14 (ii) the protection of natural surface

15 drainage patterns and wetland and ripar-

16 ian habitats; and

17 (iii) the regulation of methods or tech-

18 niques for developing or transporting ade-

19 quate supplies of water for exploratory

20 drilling; and

21 (I) research, monitoring, and reporting re-

22 quirements;

23 (3) that exploration activities (except surface

24 geological studies) be limited to the period between

25 approximately November 1 and May 1 of each year

1 and be supported, if necessary, by ice roads, winter
2 trails with adequate snow cover, ice pads, ice air-
3 strips, and air transport methods (except that those
4 exploration activities may be permitted at other
5 times if the Secretary determines that the explo-
6 ration will have no significant adverse effect on fish
7 and wildlife, fish and wildlife habitat, and the envi-
8 ronment of the Coastal Plain);

9 (4) consolidation of facility siting;

10 (5) avoidance or reduction of air traffic-related
11 disturbance to fish and wildlife;

12 (6) treatment and disposal of hazardous and
13 toxic wastes, solid wastes, reserve pit fluids, drilling
14 muds and cuttings, and domestic wastewater, includ-
15 ing, in accordance with applicable Federal and State
16 environmental laws (including regulations)—

17 (A) preparation of an annual waste man-
18 agement report;

19 (B) development and implementation of a
20 hazardous materials tracking system; and

21 (C) prohibition on the use of chlorinated
22 solvents;

23 (7) fuel storage and oil spill contingency plan-
24 ning;

1 (8) conduct of periodic field crew environmental
2 briefings;

3 (9) avoidance of significant adverse effects on
4 subsistence hunting, fishing, and trapping;

5 (10) compliance with applicable air and water
6 quality standards;

7 (11) appropriate seasonal and safety zone des-
8 ignations around well sites, within which subsistence
9 hunting and trapping shall be limited; and

10 (12) development and implementation of such
11 other protective environmental requirements, restric-
12 tions, terms, or conditions as the Secretary deter-
13 mines to be necessary.

14 (e) CONSIDERATIONS.—In preparing and issuing reg-
15 ulations, lease terms, conditions, restrictions, prohibitions,
16 or stipulations under this section, the Secretary shall take
17 into consideration—

18 (1) the stipulations and conditions that govern
19 the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska leasing pro-
20 gram, as set forth in the 1999 Northeast National
21 Petroleum Reserve-Alaska Final Integrated Activity
22 Plan/Environmental Impact Statement;

23 (2) the environmental protection standards that
24 governed the initial Coastal Plain seismic exploration
25 program under parts 37.31 through 37.33 of title

1 50, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regu-
2 lations); and

3 (3) the land use stipulations for exploratory
4 drilling on the KIC-ASRC private land described in
5 appendix 2 of the agreement between Arctic Slope
6 Regional Corporation and the United States dated
7 August 9, 1983.

8 (f) FACILITY CONSOLIDATION PLANNING.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—After providing for public
10 notice and comment, the Secretary shall prepare and
11 periodically update a plan to govern, guide, and di-
12 rect the siting and construction of facilities for the
13 exploration, development, production, and transpor-
14 tation of oil and gas resources from the Coastal
15 Plain.

16 (2) OBJECTIVES.—The objectives of the plan
17 shall be—

18 (A) the avoidance of unnecessary duplica-
19 tion of facilities and activities;

20 (B) the encouragement of consolidation of
21 common facilities and activities;

22 (C) the location or confinement of facilities
23 and activities to areas that will minimize impact
24 on fish and wildlife, fish and wildlife habitat,
25 subsistence resources, and the environment;

1 (D) the use of existing facilities, to the
2 maximum extent practicable; and

3 (E) the enhancement of compatibility be-
4 tween wildlife values and development activities.

5 (g) ACCESS TO PUBLIC LAND.—The Secretary
6 shall—

7 (1) manage public land in the Coastal Plain in
8 accordance with subsections (a) and (b) of section
9 811 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Con-
10 servation Act (16 U.S.C. 3121); and

11 (2) ensure that local residents shall have rea-
12 sonable access to public land in the Coastal Plain for
13 traditional uses.

14 **SEC. 207. EXPEDITED JUDICIAL REVIEW.**

15 (a) FILING OF COMPLAINTS.—

16 (1) DEADLINE.—A complaint seeking judicial
17 review of a provision of this title or an action of the
18 Secretary under this title shall be filed—

19 (A) except as provided in subparagraph
20 (B), during the 90-day period beginning on the
21 date on which the action being challenged was
22 carried out; or

23 (B) in the case of a complaint based solely
24 on grounds arising after the 90-day period de-
25 scribed in subparagraph (A), by not later than

1 90 days after the date on which the complain-
2 ant knew or reasonably should have known
3 about the grounds for the complaint.

4 (2) VENUE.—A complaint seeking judicial re-
5 view of a provision of this title or an action of the
6 Secretary under this title shall be filed in the United
7 States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia
8 Circuit.

9 (3) SCOPE.—

10 (A) IN GENERAL.—Judicial review of a de-
11 cision of the Secretary relating to a lease sale
12 under this title (including an environmental
13 analysis of such a lease sale) shall be—

14 (i) limited to a review of whether the
15 decision is in accordance with this title;
16 and

17 (ii) based on the administrative record
18 of the decision.

19 (B) PRESUMPTIONS.—Any identification
20 by the Secretary of a preferred course of action
21 relating to a lease sale, and any analysis by the
22 Secretary of environmental effects, under this
23 title shall be presumed to be correct unless
24 proven otherwise by clear and convincing evi-
25 dence.

1 (b) LIMITATION ON OTHER REVIEW.—Any action of
2 the Secretary that is subject to judicial review under this
3 section shall not be subject to judicial review in any civil
4 or criminal proceeding for enforcement.

5 **SEC. 208. FEDERAL AND STATE DISTRIBUTION OF REVE-**
6 **NUES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
8 sion of law, of the amount of adjusted bonus, rental, and
9 royalty revenues from Federal oil and gas leasing and op-
10 erations authorized under this title for each fiscal year—

11 (1) 50 percent shall be paid to the State of
12 Alaska; and

13 (2) except as provided in section 211(d), the
14 balance shall be—

15 (A) used to offset the provisions of this
16 Act; and

17 (B) after making the offsets under sub-
18 paragraph (A), transferred to the ANWR Alter-
19 native Energy Trust Fund established by sec-
20 tion 212.

21 (b) PAYMENTS TO ALASKA.—Payments to the State
22 of Alaska under this section shall be made semiannually.

1 **SEC. 209. RIGHTS-OF-WAY ACROSS THE COASTAL PLAIN.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall issue rights-
3 of-way and easements across the Coastal Plain for the
4 transportation of oil and gas—

5 (1) except as provided in paragraph (2), under
6 section 28 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C.
7 185), without regard to title XI of the Alaska Na-
8 tional Interest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C.
9 3161 et seq.); and

10 (2) under title XI of the Alaska National Inter-
11 est Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 3161 et
12 seq.), for access authorized by sections 1110 and
13 1111 of that Act (16 U.S.C. 3170, 3171).

14 (b) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Secretary shall
15 include in any right-of-way or easement issued under sub-
16 section (a) such terms and conditions as may be necessary
17 to ensure that transportation of oil and gas does not result
18 in a significant adverse effect on the fish and wildlife, sub-
19 sistence resources, their habitat, and the environment of
20 the Coastal Plain, including requirements that facilities be
21 sited or designed so as to avoid unnecessary duplication
22 of roads and pipelines.

23 (c) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall include in
24 regulations under section 202(f) provisions granting
25 rights-of-way and easements described in subsection (a).

1 **SEC. 210. CONVEYANCE.**

2 Notwithstanding section 1302(h)(2) of the Alaska
3 National Interest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C.
4 3192(h)(2)), to remove any cloud on title to land, and to
5 clarify land ownership patterns in the Coastal Plain, the
6 Secretary shall—

7 (1) to the extent necessary to fulfill the entitle-
8 ment of the Kaktovik Inupiat Corporation under sec-
9 tions 12 and 14 of the Alaska Native Claims Settle-
10 ment Act (43 U.S.C. 1611, 1613), as determined by
11 the Secretary, convey to that Corporation the sur-
12 face estate of the land described in paragraph (1) of
13 Public Land Order 6959, in accordance with the
14 terms and conditions of the agreement between the
15 Secretary, the United States Fish and Wildlife Serv-
16 ice, the Bureau of Land Management, and the
17 Kaktovik Inupiat Corporation, dated January 22,
18 1993; and

19 (2) convey to the Arctic Slope Regional Cor-
20 poration the remaining subsurface estate to which
21 that Corporation is entitled under the agreement be-
22 tween that corporation and the United States, dated
23 August 9, 1983.

24 **SEC. 211. LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT AID AND COMMU-**
25 **NITY SERVICE ASSISTANCE.**

26 (a) **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED.**—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may use
2 amounts available from the Coastal Plain Local Gov-
3 ernment Impact Aid Assistance Fund established by
4 subsection (d) to provide timely financial assistance
5 to entities that are eligible under paragraph (2).

6 (2) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—The North Slope
7 Borough, the City of Kaktovik, and any other bor-
8 ough, municipal subdivision, village, or other com-
9 munity in the State of Alaska that is directly im-
10 pacted by exploration for, or the production of, oil
11 or gas on the Coastal Plain under this title, as de-
12 termined by the Secretary, shall be eligible for finan-
13 cial assistance under this section.

14 (b) USE OF ASSISTANCE.—Financial assistance
15 under this section may be used only—

16 (1) to plan for mitigation, implement a mitiga-
17 tion plan, or maintain a mitigation project to ad-
18 dress the potential effects of oil and gas exploration
19 and development on environmental, social, cultural,
20 recreational, and subsistence resources of the com-
21 munity;

22 (2) to develop, carry out, and maintain—

23 (A) a project to provide new or expanded
24 public facilities; or

1 (B) services to address the needs and prob-
2 lems associated with the effects described in
3 paragraph (1), including firefighting, police,
4 water and waste treatment, first responder, and
5 other medical services; and

6 (3) to establish a local coordination office, to be
7 managed by the Mayor of the North Slope Borough,
8 in coordination with the City of Kaktovik, Alaska—

9 (A) to coordinate with and advise devel-
10 opers on local conditions and the history of
11 areas affected by development; and

12 (B) to provide to the Committee on Re-
13 sources of the House of Representatives and the
14 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of
15 the Senate annual reports on the status of the
16 coordination between developers and commu-
17 nities affected by development.

18 (c) APPLICATION.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Any community that is eligi-
20 ble for assistance under this section may submit an
21 application for such assistance to the Secretary, in
22 such form and under such procedures as the Sec-
23 retary may prescribe by regulation.

24 (2) NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH COMMUNITIES.—A
25 community located in the North Slope Borough may

1 apply for assistance under this section either directly
2 to the Secretary or through the North Slope Bor-
3 ough.

4 (3) APPLICATION ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary
5 shall work closely with and assist the North Slope
6 Borough and other communities eligible for assist-
7 ance under this section in developing and submitting
8 applications for assistance under this section.

9 (d) ESTABLISHMENT OF FUND.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—There is established in the
11 Treasury the “Coastal Plain Local Government Im-
12 pact Aid Assistance Fund” (referred to in this sec-
13 tion as the “Fund”).

14 (2) USE.—Amounts in the Fund may be used
15 only for providing financial assistance under this
16 section.

17 (3) DEPOSITS.—Subject to paragraph (4), there
18 shall be deposited into the Fund amounts received
19 by the United States as revenues derived from rents,
20 bonuses, and royalties from Federal leases and lease
21 sales authorized under this title.

22 (4) LIMITATION ON DEPOSITS.—The total
23 amount in the Fund may not exceed \$11,000,000.

1 (5) INVESTMENT OF BALANCES.—The Sec-
2 retary of the Treasury shall invest amounts in the
3 Fund in interest bearing government securities.

4 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
5 authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary from the
6 Fund to provide financial assistance under this section
7 \$5,000,000 for each fiscal year.

8 **SEC. 212. ANWR ALTERNATIVE ENERGY TRUST FUND.**

9 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF TRUST FUND.—There is es-
10 tablished in the Treasury of the United States a trust fund
11 to be known as the “ANWR Alternative Energy Trust
12 Fund”, consisting of such amounts as may be transferred
13 to the ANWR Alternative Energy Trust Fund as provided
14 in section 208(a)(2).

15 (b) EXPENDITURES FROM ANWR ALTERNATIVE
16 ENERGY TRUST FUND.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Amounts in the ANWR Al-
18 ternative Energy Trust Fund shall be available with-
19 out further appropriation to carry out specified pro-
20 visions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Public
21 Law 109–58; referred to in this section as
22 “EPAAct2005”) and the Energy Independence and
23 Security Act of 2007 (Public Law 110–140; referred
24 to in this section as “EISAct2007”) as follows:

The following percentage of annual receipts to the ANWR Alternative Energy Trust Fund, but not to exceed the limit on amount authorized, if any:

To carry out the provisions of:

EPAAct2005:	
Section 210	1.5 percent
Section 242	1.0 percent
Section 369	2.0 percent
Section 401	6.0 percent
Section 812	6.0 percent
Section 931	19.0 percent
Section 942	1.5 percent
Section 962	3.0 percent
Section 968	1.5 percent
Section 1704	6.0 percent
EISAct2007:	
Section 207	15.0 percent
Section 607	1.5 percent
Title VI, Subtitle B	3.0 percent
Title VI, Subtitle C	1.5 percent
Section 641	9.0 percent
Title VII, Subtitle A	10.0 percent
Section 1112	1.5 percent
Section 1304	11.0 percent.

1 (2) APPORTIONMENT OF EXCESS AMOUNT.—

2 Notwithstanding paragraph (1), any amounts allo-

3 cated under paragraph (1) that are in excess of the

4 amounts authorized in the applicable cited section or

5 subtitle of EPAAct2005 and EISAct2007 shall be re-

6 allocated to the remaining sections and subtitles

7 cited in paragraph (1), up to the amounts otherwise

8 authorized by law to carry out those sections and

9 subtitles, in proportion to the amounts authorized by

10 law to be appropriated for those other sections and

11 subtitles.

1 **TITLE III—REGULATORY**
2 **STREAMLINING**

3 **SEC. 301. COMMERCIAL LEASING PROGRAM FOR OIL SHALE**
4 **RESOURCES ON PUBLIC LAND.**

5 Subsection (e) of the Oil Shale, Tar Sands, and Other
6 Strategic Unconventional Fuels Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C.
7 15927(e)) is amended—

8 (1) in the first sentence, by striking “Not later”
9 and inserting the following:

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later”;

11 (2) in the second sentence—

12 (A) by striking “If the Secretary” and in-
13 serting the following:

14 “(2) LEASE SALES.—

15 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary”; and

16 (B) by striking “may” and inserting
17 “shall”;

18 (3) in the last sentence, by striking “Evidence
19 of interest” and inserting the following:

20 “(B) EVIDENCE OF INTEREST.—Evidence
21 of interest”; and

22 (4) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(C) SUBSEQUENT LEASE SALES.—During
24 any period for which the Secretary determines
25 that there is sufficient support and interest in

1 a State in the development of tar sands and oil
2 shale resources, the Secretary shall—

3 “(i) at least annually, consult with the
4 persons described in paragraph (1) to ex-
5 pedite the commercial leasing program for
6 oil shale resources on public land in the
7 State; and

8 “(ii) at least once every 270 days,
9 conduct a lease sale in the State under the
10 commercial leasing program regulations.”.

11 **SEC. 302. LICENSING OF NEW NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS.**

12 (a) CONSTRUCTION PERMITS AND OPERATING LI-
13 CENSES.—Section 185 b. of the Atomic Energy Act of
14 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2235(b)) is amended in the first sentence
15 by striking “holding a public hearing” and inserting “any
16 public hearing held”.

17 (b) HEARINGS AND JUDICIAL REVIEW.—Section 189
18 a.(1)(A) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C.
19 2239(a)(1)(A)) is amended—

20 (1) by striking the second sentence; and

21 (2) in the third sentence—

22 (A) by striking “In cases” and all that fol-
23 lows through “hearing, The” and inserting
24 “The”; and

1 (B) by striking “an operating license” and
2 inserting “a construction permit, an operating
3 license,”.

4 **SEC. 303. JURISDICTION OVER COVERED ENERGY**
5 **PROJECTS.**

6 (a) DEFINITION OF COVERED ENERGY PROJECT.—

7 In this section, the term “covered energy project” means
8 any action or decision by a Federal official regarding—

9 (1) the leasing of Federal land (including sub-
10 merged land) for the exploration, development, pro-
11 duction, processing, or transmission of oil, natural
12 gas, or any other source or form of energy, including
13 actions and decisions regarding the selection or of-
14 fering of Federal land for such leasing; or

15 (2) any action under such a lease, except that
16 this section and Act shall not apply to a dispute be-
17 tween the parties to a lease entered into a provision
18 of law authorizing the lease regarding obligations
19 under the lease or the alleged breach of the lease.

20 (b) EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OVER CAUSES AND
21 CLAIMS RELATING TO COVERED ENERGY PROJECTS.—

22 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the United
23 States District Court for the District of Columbia shall
24 have exclusive jurisdiction to hear all causes and claims

1 under this section or any other Act that arise from any
2 covered energy project.

3 (c) TIME FOR FILING COMPLAINT.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each case or claim described
5 in subsection (b) shall be filed not later than the end
6 of the 60-day period beginning on the date of the ac-
7 tion or decision by a Federal official that constitutes
8 the covered energy project concerned.

9 (2) PROHIBITION.—Any cause or claim de-
10 scribed in subsection (b) that is not filed within the
11 time period described in paragraph (1) shall be
12 barred.

13 (d) DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUM-
14 BIA DEADLINE.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each proceeding that is sub-
16 ject to subsection (b) shall—

17 (A) be resolved as expeditiously as prac-
18 ticable and in any event not more than 180
19 days after the cause or claim is filed; and

20 (B) take precedence over all other pending
21 matters before the district court.

22 (2) FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH DEADLINE.—If
23 an interlocutory or final judgment, decree, or order
24 has not been issued by the district court by the
25 deadline required under this section, the cause or

1 claim shall be dismissed with prejudice and all rights
2 relating to the cause or claim shall be terminated.

3 (e) ABILITY TO SEEK APPELLATE REVIEW.—An in-
4 terlocutory or final judgment, decree, or order of the dis-
5 trict court under this section may be reviewed by no other
6 court except the Supreme Court.

7 (f) DEADLINE FOR APPEAL TO THE SUPREME
8 COURT.—If a writ of certiorari has been granted by the
9 Supreme Court pursuant to subsection (e), the interlocu-
10 tory or final judgment, decree, or order of the district
11 court shall be resolved as expeditiously as practicable and
12 in any event not more than 180 days after the interlocu-
13 tory or final judgment, decree, order of the district court
14 is issued.

15 **SEC. 304. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS.**

16 Title I of the National Environmental Policy Act of
17 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4331 et seq.) is amended by adding at
18 the end the following:

19 **“SEC. 106. COMPLETION AND REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL**
20 **IMPACT STATEMENTS.**

21 **“(a) COMPLETION.—**

22 **“(1) IN GENERAL.—**Notwithstanding any other
23 provision of law, each review carried out under sec-
24 tion 102(2)(C) with respect to any action taken
25 under any provision of law, or for which funds are

1 made available under any provision of law, shall be
2 completed not later than the date that is 270 days
3 after the commencement of the review.

4 “(2) FAILURE TO COMPLETE REVIEW.—If a re-
5 view described in paragraph (1) has not been com-
6 pleted for an action subject to section 102(2)(C) by
7 the date specified in paragraph (1)—

8 “(A) the action shall be considered to have
9 no significant impact described in section
10 102(2)(C); and

11 “(B) that classification shall be considered
12 to be a final agency action.

13 “(b) LEAD AGENCY.—The lead agency for a review
14 of an action under this section shall be the Federal agency
15 to which funds are made available for the action.

16 “(c) REVIEW.—

17 “(1) ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS.—There shall
18 be a single administrative appeal for each review
19 carried out pursuant to section 102(2)(C).

20 “(2) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—

21 “(A) IN GENERAL.—On resolution of the
22 administrative appeal, judicial review of the
23 final agency decision after exhaustion of admin-
24 istrative remedies shall lie with the United

1 States Court of Appeals for the District of Co-
2 lumbia Circuit.

3 “(B) ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD.—An ap-
4 peal to the court described in subparagraph (A)
5 shall be based only on the administrative
6 record.

7 “(C) PENDENCY OF JUDICIAL REVIEW.—
8 After an agency has made a final decision with
9 respect to a review carried out under this sub-
10 section, the decision shall be effective during
11 the course of any subsequent appeal to a court
12 described in subparagraph (A).

13 “(3) CIVIL ACTION.—Each civil action covered
14 by this section shall be considered to arise under the
15 laws of the United States.”.

16 **SEC. 305. CLEAN AIR REGULATION.**

17 (a) REGULATION OF GREENHOUSE GASES.—Section
18 302(g) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7602(g)) is
19 amended—

20 (1) by striking “(g) The term” and inserting
21 the following:

22 “(g) AIR POLLUTANT.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The term”;

24 (2) by striking “Such term” and inserting the
25 following:

1 “(2) INCLUSIONS.—The term ‘air pollutant’”;

2 and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(3) EXCLUSIONS.—The term ‘air pollutant’
5 does not include carbon dioxide, methane from agri-
6 culture or livestock, or water vapor.”.

7 (b) EMISSION WAIVERS.—The Administrator of the
8 Environmental Protection Agency shall not grant to any
9 State any waiver of Federal preemption of motor vehicle
10 standards under section 209(b) of the Clean Air Act (42
11 U.S.C. 7543(b)) for preemption under that Act for any
12 regulation of the State to control greenhouse gas emis-
13 sions from motor vehicles.

14 **SEC. 306. ENDANGERED SPECIES.**

15 (a) EMERGENCIES.—Section 10 of the Endangered
16 Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1539) is amended by add-
17 ing at the end the following:

18 “(k) EMERGENCIES.—On the declaration of an emer-
19 gency by the Governor of a State, the Secretary shall, for
20 the duration of the emergency, temporarily exempt from
21 the prohibition against taking, and the prohibition against
22 the adverse modification of critical habitat, under this Act
23 any action that is reasonably necessary to avoid or amelio-
24 rate the impact of the emergency, including the operation

1 of any water supply or flood control project by a Federal
2 agency.”.

3 (b) PROHIBITION OF CONSIDERATION OF IMPACT OF
4 GREENHOUSE GAS.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Endangered Species Act
6 of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) is amended by
7 adding at the end the following:

8 **“SEC. 19. PROHIBITION OF CONSIDERATION OF IMPACT OF**
9 **GREENHOUSE GAS.**

10 “(a) DEFINITION OF GREENHOUSE.—In this section,
11 the term ‘greenhouse gas’ means any of—

12 “(1) carbon dioxide;

13 “(2) methane;

14 “(3) nitrous oxide;

15 “(4) sulfur hexafluoride;

16 “(5) a hydrofluorocarbon;

17 “(6) a perfluorocarbon; or

18 “(7) any other anthropogenic gas designated by
19 the Secretary for purposes of this section.

20 “(b) IMPACT OF GREENHOUSE GAS.—The impact of
21 greenhouse gas on any species of fish or wildlife or plant
22 shall not be considered for any purpose in the implementa-
23 tion of this Act.”.

24 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of
25 contents in the first section of the Endangered Spe-

1 cies Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. prec. 1531) is amended
2 by adding at the end the following:

“Sec. 18. Annual cost analysis by the Fish and Wildlife Service.

“Sec. 19. Prohibition of consideration of impact of greenhouse gas.”.

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