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[Report No. 112–108]

To amend the Clean Air Act regarding air pollution from Outer Continental Shelf activities.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 26, 2011

Mr. GARDNER (for himself, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. POMPEO, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. TERRY, Mr. PITTS, Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois, Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia, Mr. OLSON, and Mrs. McMorris Rodgers) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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Additional sponsors: Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. COLE, Mr. GUTHRIE, Mr. CAS-SIDY, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, Mr. LATTA, Mr. HAR-PER, Mr. LANCE, Mr. UPTON, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mrs. BONO MACK, Mr. WALDEN, and Mr. YOUNG of Alaska

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A BILL

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To amend the Clean Air Act regarding air pollution from Outer Continental Shelf activities. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the "Jobs and Energy Per-5 mitting Act of 2011".

6 SEC. 2. AIR QUALITY MEASUREMENT.

Section 328(a)(1) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C.
7627(a)(1)) is amended by inserting before the period at
the end of the second sentence the following: ", except that
any air quality impact of any OCS source shall be measured or modeled, as appropriate, and determined solely
with respect to the impacts in the corresponding onshore
area".

14 SEC. 3. OCS SOURCE.

15 Section 328(a)(4)(C) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7627(a)(4)(C) is amended in the matter following clause 16 17 (iii) by striking "shall be considered direct emissions from the OCS source" and inserting "shall be considered direct 18 19 emissions from the OCS source but shall not be subject 20 to any emission control requirement applicable to the 21 source under subpart 1 of part C of title I of this Act. 22 For platform or drill ship exploration, an OCS source is 23 established at the point in time when drilling commences 24 at a location and ceases to exist when drilling activity ends 25 at such location or is temporarily interrupted because the

platform or drill ship relocates for weather or other rea sons.".

3 SEC. 4. PERMITS.

4 (a) PERMITS.—Section 328 of the Clean Air Act (42
5 U.S.C. 7627) is amended by adding at the end thereof
6 the following:

7 "(d) PERMIT APPLICATION.—In the case of a com8 pleted application for a permit under this Act for platform
9 or drill ship exploration for an OCS source—

"(1) final agency action (including any reconsideration of the issuance or denial of such permit)
shall be taken not later than 6 months after the date
of filing such completed application;

"(2) the Environmental Appeals Board of the
Environmental Protection Agency shall have no authority to consider any matter regarding the consideration, issuance, or denial of such permit;

18 "(3) no administrative stay of the effectiveness
19 of such permit may extend beyond the date that is
20 6 months after the date of filing such completed application;

"(4) such final agency action shall be considered to be nationally applicable under section
307(b); and

"(5) judicial review of such final agency action
 shall be available only in accordance with such sec tion 307(b) without additional administrative review
 or adjudication.".

5 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 328(a)(4)
6 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7627(a)(4)) is amended
7 by striking "For purposes of subsections (a) and (b)" and
8 inserting "For purposes of subsections (a), (b), and (d)".

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