

Union Calendar No. 267

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3279

[Report No. 115-365]

To amend the Mineral Leasing Act to provide that extraction of helium from gas produced under a Federal mineral lease shall maintain the lease as if the helium were oil and gas.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 18, 2017

Mr. COOK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

OCTOBER 23, 2017

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

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 “Helium Extraction Act
5 of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. MAINTENANCE OF FEDERAL MINERAL LEASES**

7 **BASED ON EXTRACTION OF HELIUM.**

8 The first section of the Mineral Leasing Act (30
9 U.S.C. 181) is amended in the fifth paragraph by insert-
10 ing after “purchaser thereof” the following: “, and that
11 extraction of helium from gas produced from such lands
12 shall maintain the lease as if the extracted helium were
13 oil and gas”.

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