

## **Amendment #1**

### **Amendment to Westerman ANS to H.R. 1555** **Offered by Ranking Member Huffman**

Page 4, strike lines 13–14.

Page 4, strike line 17, insert “or”, and renumber accordingly.

At the end, insert the following:

(f) Not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall finalize regulations to ensure that the Department of the Interior can require a bond for an action occurring within an oil and gas drilling or spacing unit as described in subsection (a), which shall be no less than \$200,000 for an individual lease and adjusted annually for inflation.

(g) Not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall finalize updates to 43 CFR § 3171.19 to

(1) Ensure that, in the absence of the requirement for a permit to drill for an oil and gas lease under the Mineral Leasing Act, surface landowners have their concerns considered and the Bureau of Land Management can still uphold its legal obligations under the National Historic Preservation Act and the Endangered Species Act; and

(2) Increase the minimum bond in subsection (b) of such regulation to at least \$10,000.