

Amendment #4

Amendment to H.R. 1941
Offered by Mr. Graves of Louisiana

On page 2 after line 13, insert the following:

“Sec. 3. Limitation—Section 2 shall not apply in any fiscal year until the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with the Department of Energy, conducts a study to determine the role that natural gas resources in the areas to be withdrawn from leasing and pre-leasing activities will play in balancing an electric grid with increased wind energy electric generation sources.

“(1) if it is determined that natural gas resources are important to the penetration of intermittent renewable energy resources, then section 2 shall not apply in any fiscal year until other grid balancing technologies, including battery storage, are economically available and deployed in all states where there is over 1000 megawatts of wind energy electricity generation.”.