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1 **TITLE VIII—COMMITTEE ON**
2 **NATURAL RESOURCES**
3 **Subtitle A—Energy and Mineral**
4 **Resources**

5 **PART I—OIL AND GAS**

6 **SEC. 80101. ONSHORE OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES.**

7 (a) **REQUIREMENT TO IMMEDIATELY RESUME ON-**
8 **SHORE OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES.—**

9 (1) **IN GENERAL.—**The Secretary of the Inte-
10 rior shall immediately resume quarterly onshore oil
11 and gas lease sales in compliance with the Mineral
12 Leasing Act.

13 (2) **REQUIREMENT.—**The Secretary of the Inte-
14 rior shall ensure—

15 (A) that any oil and gas lease sale pursu-
16 ant to paragraph (1) is conducted immediately
17 on completion of all requirements under the
18 Mineral Leasing Act; and

1 (B) that the processes described in sub-
2 paragraph (A) are conducted in a timely man-
3 ner to ensure compliance with subsection (b)(1).

4 (3) LEASE OF OIL AND GAS LANDS.—Section
5 17(b)(1)(A) of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C.
6 226(b)(1)(A)) is amended by inserting “Eligible
7 lands comprise all lands subject to leasing under this
8 Act and not excluded from leasing by a statutory or
9 regulatory prohibition. Land shall be considered
10 available under the preceding sentence if the land
11 has been designated as open for leasing under a land
12 use plan developed or revised under section 202 of
13 the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of
14 1976 and has been nominated for leasing through
15 the submission of an expression of interest, is sub-
16 ject to drainage (as described in subsection (j)) in
17 the absence of leasing, or is otherwise designated as
18 available pursuant to regulations issued by the Sec-
19 retary.” after “sales are necessary.”.

20 (b) QUARTERLY LEASE SALES.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with the Min-
22 eral Leasing Act, each fiscal year, the Secretary of
23 the Interior shall conduct a minimum of four oil and
24 gas lease sales in each of the following States:

25 (A) Wyoming.

1 (B) New Mexico.

2 (C) Colorado.

3 (D) Utah.

4 (E) Montana.

5 (F) North Dakota.

6 (G) Oklahoma.

7 (H) Nevada.

8 (I) Alaska.

9 (J) Any other State in which there is land
10 available for oil and gas leasing under the Min-
11 eral Leasing Act or any other mineral leasing
12 law.

13 (2) REQUIREMENT.—In conducting a lease sale
14 under paragraph (1) in a State described in that
15 paragraph, the Secretary of the Interior shall offer
16 not less than 50 percent of all parcels nominated
17 that are available and eligible pursuant to the re-
18 quirements of the Mineral Leasing Act.

19 (3) REPLACEMENT SALES.—The Secretary of
20 the Interior shall conduct a replacement sale during
21 the same fiscal year if—

22 (A) a lease sale under paragraph (1) is
23 canceled, delayed, or deferred, including for a
24 lack of eligible parcels; or

1 (B) during a lease sale under paragraph
2 (1) the percentage of acreage that does not re-
3 ceive a bid is equal to or greater than 25 per-
4 cent of the acreage offered.

5 (c) LEASING OF OIL AND GAS.—Section 17 of the
6 Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 226) is amended—

7 (1) by striking the section designation and all
8 that follows through the end of subsection (a) and
9 inserting the following:

10 **“SEC. 17. LEASING OF OIL AND GAS.**

11 “(a) LEASING.—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months
13 after the date of receipt by the Secretary of an ex-
14 pression of interest in leasing land that is subject to
15 disposition under this Act and is known or believed
16 to contain oil or gas deposits, the Secretary shall,
17 subject to paragraph (2), offer such land for oil and
18 gas leasing if the Secretary determines that the land
19 is open to oil or gas leasing under a land use plan
20 developed or revised under section 202 of the Fed-
21 eral Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43
22 U.S.C. 1712) and such land use plan—

23 “(A) applies to the planning area in which
24 the land is located; and

1 “(B) is in effect on the date on which the
2 expression of interest was submitted to the Sec-
3 retary.

4 “(2) LAND USE PLANS.—

5 “(A) LEASE TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—A
6 lease issued by the Secretary under this sec-
7 tion—

8 “(i) shall include any terms and con-
9 ditions of the land use plan that apply to
10 the area of the lease; and

11 “(ii) shall not require any stipulations
12 or mitigation requirements not included in
13 such land use plan.

14 “(B) EFFECT OF REVISIONS.—The revi-
15 sion of a land use plan shall not prevent or
16 delay the Secretary from offering land for leas-
17 ing under this section if the other requirements
18 of this section have been met, as determined by
19 the Secretary.”;

20 (2) in subsection (p)—

21 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “con-
22 duct a complete review of the application with
23 all applicable agency staff required for the Sec-
24 retary to determine the application is complete
25 and” after “drill, the Secretary shall”; and

1 (B) by adding at the end the following:

2 “(4) TERM.—A permit to drill approved under
3 this subsection shall be valid for a single, nonrenew-
4 able 4-year period beginning on the date that the
5 permit to drill is approved.

6 “(5) EFFECT OF PENDING CIVIL ACTION ON
7 PROCESSING APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS TO
8 DRILL.—Pursuant to the requirements of paragraph
9 (2), notwithstanding the existence of any pending
10 civil actions affecting the application or a related
11 lease issued under this Act, the Secretary shall proc-
12 ess an application for a permit to drill or other au-
13 thorizations or approvals under a lease issued under
14 this Act.”; and

15 (3) by striking subsection (q) and inserting the
16 following:

17 “(q) OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—In utilizing the au-
18 thorities provided by section 390 of the Energy Policy Act
19 of 2005 with respect to an activity conducted pursuant
20 to this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall not consider
21 whether there are any extraordinary circumstances.”.

22 **SEC. 80102. NONCOMPETITIVE LEASING.**

23 (a) NONCOMPETITIVE LEASING.—Section 17 of the
24 Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 226) is further amend-
25 ed—

1 (1) in subsection (b)—

2 (A) in paragraph (1)(A)—

3 (i) in the first sentence, by striking
4 “paragraph (2)” and inserting “paragraph
5 (2) or (3)”; and

6 (ii) by adding at the end “Lands for
7 which no bids are received or for which the
8 highest bid is less than the national min-
9 imum acceptable bid shall be offered
10 promptly within 30 days for leasing under
11 subsection (c) of this section and shall re-
12 main available for leasing for a period of
13 2 years after the competitive lease sale.”;
14 and

15 (B) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(3)(A) If the United States held a vested future in-
17 terest in a mineral estate that, immediately prior to be-
18 coming a vested present interest, was subject to a lease
19 under which oil or gas was being produced, or had a well
20 capable of producing, in paying quantities at an annual
21 average production volume per well per day of either not
22 more than 15 barrels per day of oil or condensate, or not
23 more than 60,000 cubic feet of gas, the holder of the lease
24 may elect to continue the lease as a noncompetitive lease
25 under subsection (c)(1).

1 “(B) An election under this paragraph is effective—

2 “(i) in the case of an interest which vested after
3 January 1, 1990, and on or before October 24,
4 1992, if the election is made before the date that is
5 1 year after October 24, 1992;

6 “(ii) in the case of an interest which vests with-
7 in 1 year after October 24, 1992, if the election is
8 made before the date that is 2 years after October
9 24, 1992; and

10 “(iii) in any case other than those described in
11 clause (i) or (ii), if the election is made prior to the
12 interest becoming a vested present interest.”;

13 (2) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the
14 following:

15 “(c) LANDS SUBJECT TO LEASING UNDER SUB-
16 SECTION (B); FIRST QUALIFIED APPLICANT.—

17 “(1) If the lands to be leased are not leased
18 under subsection (b)(1) of this section or are not
19 subject to competitive leasing under subsection
20 (b)(2) of this section, the person first making appli-
21 cation for the lease who is qualified to hold a lease
22 under this chapter shall be entitled to a lease of
23 such lands without competitive bidding, upon pay-
24 ment of a nonrefundable application fee of at least
25 \$75. A lease under this subsection shall be condi-

1 tioned upon the payment of a royalty at a rate of
2 12.5 percent in amount or value of the production
3 removed or sold from the lease. Leases shall be
4 issued within 60 days of the date on which the Sec-
5 retary identifies the first responsible qualified appli-
6 cant.

7 “(2)(A) Lands (i) which were posted for sale
8 under subsection (b)(1) of this section but for which
9 no bids were received or for which the highest bid
10 was less than the national minimum acceptable bid
11 and (ii) for which, at the end of the period referred
12 to in subsection (b)(1) of this section no lease has
13 been issued and no lease application is pending
14 under paragraph (1) of this subsection, shall again
15 be available for leasing only in accordance with sub-
16 section (b)(1) of this section.

17 “(B) The land in any lease which is issued
18 under paragraph (1) of this subsection or under sub-
19 section (b)(1) of this section which lease terminates,
20 expires, is cancelled or is relinquished shall again be
21 available for leasing only in accordance with sub-
22 section (b)(1) of this section.”; and

23 (3) by striking subsection (e) and inserting the
24 following:

1 “(e) PRIMARY TERM.—Competitive and noncompeti-
2 tive leases issued under this section shall be for a primary
3 term of 10 years: *Provided, however,* That competitive
4 leases issued in special tar sand areas shall also be for
5 a primary term of 10 years. Each such lease shall continue
6 so long after its primary term as oil or gas is produced
7 in paying quantities. Any lease issued under this section
8 for land on which, or for which under an approved cooper-
9 ative or unit plan of development or operation, actual drill-
10 ing operations were commenced prior to the end of its pri-
11 mary term and are being diligently prosecuted at that time
12 shall be extended for two years and so long thereafter as
13 oil or gas is produced in paying quantities.”.

14 (b) FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH PROVISIONS OF
15 LEASE.—Section 31 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30
16 U.S.C. 188) is amended—

17 (1) in subsection (d)(1), by striking “section
18 17(b)” and inserting “subsection (b) or (c) of sec-
19 tion 17 of this Act”;

20 (2) in subsection (e)—

21 (A) in paragraph (2)—

22 (i) by inserting “either” after “rentals
23 and”; and

24 (ii) by inserting “or the inclusion in a
25 reinstated lease issued pursuant to the pro-

1 visions of section 17(c) of this Act of a re-
2 quirement that future rentals shall be at a
3 rate not less than \$5 per acre per year,
4 all” before “as determined by the Sec-
5 retary”; and

6 (B) by amending paragraph (3) to read as
7 follows:

8 “(3)(A) payment of back royalties and the in-
9 clusion in a reinstated lease issued pursuant to the
10 provisions of section 17(b) of this Act of a require-
11 ment for future royalties at a rate of not less than
12 16²/₃ percent computed on a sliding scale based
13 upon the average production per well per day, at a
14 rate which shall be not less than 4 percentage points
15 greater than the competitive royalty schedule then in
16 force and used for royalty determination for com-
17 petitive leases issued pursuant to such section as de-
18 termined by the Secretary: *Provided*, That royalty on
19 such reinstated lease shall be paid on all production
20 removed or sold from such lease subsequent to the
21 termination of the original lease;

22 “(B) payment of back royalties and inclusion in
23 a reinstated lease issued pursuant to the provisions
24 of section 17(c) of this Act of a requirement for fu-
25 ture royalties at a rate not less than

1 16²/₃ percent: *Provided*, That royalty on such re-
2 instated lease shall be paid on all production re-
3 moved or sold from such lease subsequent to the
4 cancellation or termination of the original lease;
5 and”;

6 (3) in subsection (f)—

7 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “in the
8 same manner as the original lease issued pursu-
9 ant to section 17” and inserting “as a competi-
10 tive or a noncompetitive oil and gas lease in the
11 same manner as the original lease issued pursu-
12 ant to subsection (b) or (c) of section 17 of this
13 Act”;

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

15 “(4) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the
16 issuance of a lease in lieu of an abandoned patented oil
17 placer mining claim shall be treated as a noncompetitive
18 oil and gas lease issued pursuant to section 17(c) of this
19 Act.”;

20 (4) in subsection (g), by striking “subsection
21 (d)” and inserting “subsections (d) and (j)”;

22 (5) by amending subsection (h) to read as fol-
23 lows:

24 “(h) ROYALTY REDUCTIONS.—

1 “(1) In acting on a petition to issue a non-
2 competitive oil and gas lease, under subsection (j) of
3 this section or in response to a request filed after
4 issuance of such a lease, or both, the Secretary is
5 authorized to reduce the royalty on such lease if in
6 his judgment it is equitable to do so or the cir-
7 cumstances warrant such relief due to uneconomic
8 or other circumstances which could cause undue
9 hardship or premature termination of production.

10 “(2) In acting on a petition for reinstatement
11 pursuant to subsection (d) of this section or in re-
12 sponse to a request filed after reinstatement, or
13 both, the Secretary is authorized to reduce the roy-
14 alty in that reinstated lease on the entire leasehold
15 or any tract or portion thereof segregated for royalty
16 purposes if, in his judgment, there are uneconomic
17 or other circumstances which could cause undue
18 hardship or premature termination of production; or
19 because of any written action of the United States,
20 its agents or employees, which preceded, and was a
21 major consideration in, the lessee’s expenditure of
22 funds to develop the property under the lease after
23 the rent had become due and had not been paid; or
24 if in the judgment of the Secretary it is equitable to
25 do so for any reason.”; and

1 (6) by adding at the end the following:

2 “(j) ISSUANCE OF NONCOMPETITIVE OIL AND GAS
3 LEASE; CONDITIONS.—Where an unpatented oil placer
4 mining claim validly located prior to February 24, 1920,
5 which has been or is currently producing or is capable of
6 producing oil or gas, has been or is hereafter deemed con-
7 clusively abandoned for failure to file timely the required
8 instruments or copies of instruments required by section
9 1744 of title 43, and it is shown to the satisfaction of
10 the Secretary that such failure was inadvertent, justifi-
11 able, or not due to lack of reasonable diligence on the part
12 of the owner, the Secretary may issue, for the lands cov-
13 ered by the abandoned unpatented oil placer mining claim,
14 a noncompetitive oil and gas lease, consistent with the pro-
15 visions of section 17(e) of this Act, to be effective from
16 the statutory date the claim was deemed conclusively
17 abandoned. Issuance of such a lease shall be conditioned
18 upon—

19 “(1) a petition for issuance of a noncompetitive
20 oil and gas lease, together with the required rental
21 and royalty, including back rental and royalty accru-
22 ing from the statutory date of abandonment of the
23 oil placer mining claim, being filed with the Sec-
24 retary—

1 “(A) with respect to any claim deemed
2 conclusively abandoned on or before January
3 12, 1983, on or before the one hundred and
4 twentieth day after January 12, 1983; or

5 “(B) with respect to any claim deemed
6 conclusively abandoned after January 12, 1983,
7 on or before the one hundred and twentieth day
8 after final notification by the Secretary or a
9 court of competent jurisdiction of the deter-
10 mination of the abandonment of the oil placer
11 mining claim;

12 “(2) a valid lease not having been issued affect-
13 ing any of the lands covered by the abandoned oil
14 placer mining claim prior to the filing of such peti-
15 tion: *Provided, however,* That after the filing of a peti-
16 tion for issuance of a lease under this subsection,
17 the Secretary shall not issue any new lease affecting
18 any of the lands covered by such abandoned oil plac-
19 er mining claim for a reasonable period, as deter-
20 mined in accordance with regulations issued by him;

21 “(3) a requirement in the lease for payment of
22 rental, including back rentals accruing from the
23 statutory date of abandonment of the oil placer min-
24 ing claim, of not less than \$5 per acre per year;

1 “(4) a requirement in the lease for payment of
2 royalty on production removed or sold from the oil
3 placer mining claim, including all royalty on produc-
4 tion made subsequent to the statutory date the claim
5 was deemed conclusively abandoned, of not less than
6 12½ percent; and

7 “(5) compliance with the notice and reimburse-
8 ment of costs provisions of paragraph (4) of sub-
9 section (e) but addressed to the petition covering the
10 conversion of an abandoned unpatented oil placer
11 mining claim to a noncompetitive oil and gas lease.”.

12 **SEC. 80103. PERMIT FEES.**

13 Section 17 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C.
14 226) is further amended by adding at the end the fol-
15 lowing:

16 “(r) FEE FOR COMMINGLING OF PRODUCTION.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Inte-
18 rior shall approve applications allowing for the com-
19 mingling of production from two or more sources
20 (including the area of an oil and gas lease, the area
21 included in a drilling spacing unit, a unit partici-
22 pating area, a communitized area, or non-Federal
23 property) before production reaches the point of roy-
24 alty measurement regardless of ownership, the roy-
25 alty rates, and the number or percentage of acres

1 for each source if the applicant pays an application
2 fee of \$10,000 and agrees to install measurement
3 devices for each source, utilize an allocation method
4 that achieves volume measurement uncertainty levels
5 within plus or minus 2 percent during the produc-
6 tion phase reported on a monthly basis, or utilize an
7 approved periodic well testing methodology. Produc-
8 tion from multiple oil and gas leases, drilling spacing
9 units, communitized areas, or participating areas
10 from a single wellbore shall be considered a single
11 source. Nothing in this subsection shall prevent the
12 Secretary of the Interior from continuing the current
13 practice of exercising discretion to authorize higher
14 percentage volume measurement uncertainty levels if
15 appropriate technical and economic justifications
16 have been provided.

17 “(2) REVENUE ALLOCATION.—Fees received
18 under this subsection shall be deposited into the
19 Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

20 “(s) FEES FOR PERMITS-BY-RULE.—

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall estab-
22 lish, by regulation not later than 2 years after the
23 date of enactment of this subsection, a permit-by-
24 rule process under which a leaseholder may receive
25 approval to drill for oil and gas if the leaseholder

1 certifies compliance with such regulations and pays
2 a fee of \$5,000. Such permit-by-rule process shall
3 allow drilling operations to commence no later than
4 45 days after the leaseholder has filed a registration
5 that certifies compliance with such regulations and
6 paid the fee required by this paragraph.

7 “(2) REVENUE ALLOCATION.—Fees received
8 under this subsection shall be deposited into the
9 Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.”.

10 **SEC. 80104. PERMITTING FEE FOR NON-FEDERAL LAND.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the Mineral
12 Leasing Act, the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Manage-
13 ment Act of 1982, or subpart 3162 of part 3160 of title
14 43, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regula-
15 tions), but subject to any applicable State requirements,
16 the Secretary of the Interior shall not require a permit
17 to drill for an oil and gas lease under the Mineral Leasing
18 Act for an action occurring within an oil and gas drilling
19 or spacing unit if the leaseholder pays a fee of \$5,000
20 and—

21 (1) the Federal Government—

22 (A) owns less than 50 percent of the min-
23 erals within the oil and gas drilling or spacing
24 unit; and

1 (B) does not own or lease the surface es-
2 tate within the area directly impacted by the
3 action; or

4 (2) the well is located on non-Federal land over-
5 lying a non-Federal mineral estate, but some portion
6 of the wellbore traverses but does not produce from
7 the Federal mineral estate subject to the lease.

8 (b) NOTIFICATION.—For each State permit to drill
9 or drilling plan that would impact or extract oil and gas
10 owned by the Federal Government—

11 (1) each lessee of Federal minerals in the unit,
12 or designee of a lessee, shall—

13 (A) notify the Secretary of the Interior of
14 the submission of a State application for a per-
15 mit to drill or drilling plan on submission of the
16 application;

17 (B) provide a copy of the application de-
18 scribed in subparagraph (A) to the Secretary of
19 the Interior not later than 5 days after the date
20 on which the permit or plan is submitted; and

21 (C) pay to the Secretary of the Interior the
22 \$5,000 fee referenced in subsection (a) of this
23 section;

24 (2) each lessee, designee of a lessee, or applica-
25 ble State shall notify the Secretary of the Interior of

1 the approved State permit to drill or drilling plan
2 not later than 45 days after the date on which the
3 permit or plan is approved; and

4 (3) each lessee or designee of a lessee shall pro-
5 vide, prior to commencing drilling operations, agree-
6 ments authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to
7 enter non-Federal land, as necessary, for inspection
8 and enforcement of the terms of the Federal lease.

9 (c) EFFECT.—Nothing in this section affects the
10 amount of royalties due to the Federal Government from
11 the production of the Federal minerals within the oil and
12 gas drilling or spacing unit.

13 (d) REVENUE ALLOCATION.—Fees received under
14 this section shall be deposited into the Treasury as mis-
15 cellaneous receipts.

16 (e) AUTHORITY ON NON-FEDERAL LAND.—Section
17 17(g) of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 226(g)) is
18 amended—

19 (1) by striking the subsection designation and
20 all that follows through “Secretary of the Interior,
21 or” in the first sentence and inserting the following:
22 “(g) REGULATION OF SURFACE DISTURBING ACTIVI-
23 TIES.—

24 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Inte-
25 rior, or”; and

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

2 “(2) AUTHORITY ON NON-FEDERAL LAND.—

3 “(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of an oil
4 and gas lease under this Act on land described
5 in subparagraph (B) located within an oil and
6 gas drilling or spacing unit, nothing in this Act
7 authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to—

8 “(i) require a bond to protect non-
9 Federal land;

10 “(ii) enter non-Federal land without
11 the consent of the applicable landowner;

12 “(iii) impose mitigation requirements;

13 or

14 “(iv) require approval for surface rec-
15 lamation.

16 “(B) LAND.—Land referred to in subpara-
17 graph (A) is land where—

18 “(i) the Federal Government—

19 “(I) owns less than 50 percent of
20 the minerals within the oil and gas
21 drilling or spacing unit; and

22 “(II) does not own or lease the
23 surface estate within the area directly
24 impacted by the action;

1 “(ii) the well is located on non-Fed-
2 eral land overlying a non-Federal mineral
3 estate, but some portion of the wellbore en-
4 ters and produces from the Federal min-
5 eral estate subject to the lease; or

6 “(iii) the well is located on non-Fed-
7 eral land overlying a non-Federal mineral
8 estate, but some portion of the wellbore
9 traverses but does not produce from the
10 Federal mineral estate subject to the lease.

11 “(C) NO FEDERAL ACTION.—An oil and
12 gas exploration or production activity carried
13 out under a lease described in subparagraph
14 (A)—

15 “(i) shall require no Federal action;
16 and

17 “(ii) may commence 30 days after the
18 leaseholder submits the State permit to the
19 Secretary.”.

20 **SEC. 80105. REINSTATE REASONABLE ROYALTY RATES.**

21 (a) OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS ROYALTY RATE.—Sec-
22 tion 8(a)(1) of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43
23 U.S.C. 1337(a)(1)) is amended—

24 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “not less
25 than 16²/₃ percent, but not more than 18³/₄ percent,

1 during the 10-year period beginning on the date of
2 enactment of the Act titled ‘An Act to provide for
3 reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res.
4 14’, and not less than $16\frac{2}{3}$ percent thereafter,” and
5 inserting “not less than 12.5 percent, but not more
6 than $18\frac{3}{4}$ percent,”;

7 (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking “not less
8 than $16\frac{2}{3}$ percent, but not more than $18\frac{3}{4}$ percent,
9 during the 10-year period beginning on the date of
10 enactment of the Act titled ‘An Act to provide for
11 reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res.
12 14’, and not less than $16\frac{2}{3}$ percent thereafter,” and
13 inserting “not less than 12.5 percent, but not more
14 than $18\frac{3}{4}$ percent,”;

15 (3) in subparagraph (F), by striking “not less
16 than $16\frac{2}{3}$ percent, but not more than $18\frac{3}{4}$ percent,
17 during the 10-year period beginning on the date of
18 enactment of the Act titled ‘An Act to provide for
19 reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res.
20 14’, and not less than $16\frac{2}{3}$ percent thereafter,” and
21 inserting “not less than 12.5 percent, but not more
22 than $18\frac{3}{4}$ percent,”; and

23 (4) in subparagraph (H), by striking “not less
24 than $16\frac{2}{3}$ percent, but not more than $18\frac{3}{4}$ percent,
25 during the 10-year period beginning on the date of

1 enactment of the Act titled ‘An Act to provide for
2 reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res.
3 14’, and not less than $16\frac{2}{3}$ percent thereafter,” and
4 inserting “not less than 12.5 percent, but not more
5 than $18\frac{3}{4}$ percent,”.

6 (b) ONSHORE OIL AND GAS ROYALTY RATES.—Sec-
7 tion 17 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 226) is
8 amended—

9 (1) in subsection (b)—

10 (A) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “the
11 Act titled ‘An Act to provide for reconciliation
12 pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 14’, $16\frac{2}{3}$ ”
13 and inserting “subsection (s), 12.5”; and

14 (B) in paragraph (2)(A)(ii), by striking
15 “ $16\frac{2}{3}$ percent” and inserting “ $16\frac{2}{3}$ percent or,
16 in the case of a lease issued on or after the date
17 of enactment of subsection (s), 12.5 percent”;

18 (2) in subsection (l), by striking “ $16\frac{2}{3}$ percent”
19 each place it appears and inserting “ $16\frac{2}{3}$ percent
20 or, in the case of a lease issued on or after the date
21 of enactment of subsection (s), 12.5 percent”; and

22 (3) in subsection (n)(1)(C), by striking “ $16\frac{2}{3}$
23 percent” and inserting “ $16\frac{2}{3}$ percent or, in the case
24 of a lease issued on or after the date of enactment
25 of subsection (s), 12.5 percent”.

1 **PART II—GEOTHERMAL**

2 **SEC. 80111. GEOTHERMAL LEASING.**

3 Section 4(b) of the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970
4 (30 U.S.C. 1003(b)) is amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (2), by striking “2 years” and
6 inserting “year”; and

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

8 “(5) REPLACEMENT SALES.—If a lease sale
9 under paragraph (2) for a year is canceled or de-
10 layed, the Secretary of the Interior shall conduct a
11 replacement sale during the same year.

12 “(6) REQUIREMENT.—In conducting a lease
13 sale under paragraph (2) in a State described in
14 that paragraph, the Secretary of the Interior shall
15 offer all nominated parcels eligible for geothermal
16 development and utilization under a land use plan
17 developed or revised under section 202 of the Fed-
18 eral Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 that
19 is in effect for the State.”.

20 **SEC. 80112. GEOTHERMAL ROYALTIES.**

21 Section 5(a)(1) of the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970
22 (30 U.S.C. 1004(a)(1)) is amended—

23 (1) in subparagraph (A)—

24 (A) by inserting “with respect to each elec-
25 tric generating facility producing electricity,”
26 before “not less than”; and

1 (B) by inserting by “by such facility” after
2 “produced”; and

3 (2) in subparagraph (B)—

4 (A) by inserting “with respect to each elec-
5 tric generating facility producing electricity,”
6 before “not less than”; and

7 (B) by inserting by “by such facility” after
8 “produced”.

9 **PART III—ALASKA**

10 **SEC. 80121. COASTAL PLAIN OIL AND GAS LEASING.**

11 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12 (1) COASTAL PLAIN.—The term “Coastal
13 Plain” has the meaning given the term in section
14 20001(a) of Public Law 115–97 (16 U.S.C. 3143
15 note).

16 (2) OIL AND GAS PROGRAM.—The term “oil
17 and gas program” means the oil and gas program
18 established under section 20001(b)(2) of Public Law
19 115–97 (16 U.S.C. 3143 note).

20 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
21 the Secretary of the Interior.

22 (b) ADMINISTRATION.—Not later than 30 days after
23 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall—

24 (1) withdraw—

1 (A) the supplemental environmental impact
2 statement described in the notice of availability
3 of the Bureau of Land Management entitled
4 “Notice of Availability of the Final Coastal
5 Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program Supple-
6 mental Environmental Impact Statement, Alas-
7 ka” (89 Fed. Reg. 88805 (November 8, 2024));
8 and

9 (B) the record of decision described in the
10 notice of availability of the Bureau of Land
11 Management entitled “Notice of Availability of
12 the Record of Decision for the Final Supple-
13 mental Environmental Impact Statement for
14 the Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Pro-
15 gram, Alaska” (89 Fed. Reg. 101042 (Decem-
16 ber 13, 2024)); and

17 (2) reinstate—

18 (A) the environmental impact statement
19 described in the notice of availability of the Bu-
20 reau of Land Management entitled “Notice of
21 Availability of the Final Environmental Impact
22 Statement for the Coastal Plain Oil and Gas
23 Leasing Program, Alaska” (84 Fed. Reg.
24 50472 (September 25, 2019)); and

1 (B) the record of decision described in the
2 notice of availability of the Bureau of Land
3 Management entitled “Notice of Availability of
4 the Record of Decision for the Final Environ-
5 mental Impact Statement for the Coastal Plain
6 Oil and Gas Leasing Program, Alaska” (85
7 Fed. Reg. 51754 (August 21, 2020)).

8 (c) REISSUANCE OF CANCELLED LEASES.—

9 (1) ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS.—Not later than 30
10 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the
11 Secretary shall, without modification or delay—

12 (A) accept the highest valid bid for each
13 Coastal Plain lease tract for which a valid bid
14 was received on January 6, 2021, pursuant to
15 the requirement to hold the first lease sale
16 under section 20001(c)(1)(A) of Public Law
17 115–97 (16 U.S.C. 3143 note); and

18 (B) provide the appropriate lease form to
19 each successful bidder under subparagraph (A)
20 to execute and return to the Secretary.

21 (2) LEASE ISSUANCE.—On receipt of an exe-
22 cuted lease form under paragraph (1)(B) and pay-
23 ment in accordance with that lease of the rental for
24 the first year, the balance of the bonus bid (unless
25 deferred), and any required bond or security from

1 the successful bidder, the Secretary shall promptly
2 issue to the successful bidder a fully executed lease,
3 in accordance with—

4 (A) the applicable regulations, as in effect
5 on January 6, 2021; and

6 (B) the terms and conditions of the record
7 of decision described in subsection (b)(2)(B).

8 (3) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—Leases reissued
9 pursuant to this subsection shall include the terms
10 and conditions from the record of decision described
11 in the notice of availability of the Bureau of Land
12 Management entitled “Notice of Availability of the
13 Record of Decision for the Final Environmental Im-
14 pact Statement for the Coastal Plain Oil and Gas
15 Leasing Program, Alaska” (85 Fed. Reg. 51754
16 (August 21, 2020)).

17 (4) EXCEPTION.—This subsection shall not
18 apply to any bid for which a lease was issued and
19 subsequently relinquished by the successful bidder
20 prior to the date of enactment of this Act.

21 (d) LEASE SALES REQUIRED.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), in
23 addition to the lease sales required under section
24 20001(c)(1)(A) of Public Law 115–97 (16 U.S.C.
25 3143 note), the Secretary shall conduct not fewer

1 than 4 lease sales area-wide under the oil and gas
2 program by not later than 10 years after the date
3 of the enactment of this Act.

4 (2) SALE ACREAGES; SCHEDULE.—The Sec-
5 retary shall offer—

6 (A) an initial lease sale under paragraph
7 (1) not later than 1 year after the date of the
8 enactment of this Act;

9 (B) a second lease sale under paragraph
10 (1) not later than 3 years after the date of the
11 enactment of this Act;

12 (C) a third lease sale under paragraph (1)
13 not later than 5 years after the date of the en-
14 actment of this Act;

15 (D) a fourth lease sale under paragraph
16 (1) not later than 7 years after the date of the
17 enactment of this Act; and

18 (E)(i) not fewer than 400,000 acres area-
19 wide in each lease sale, including those areas
20 that have the highest potential for the discovery
21 of hydrocarbons; or

22 (ii) the total number of unleased acres sub-
23 ject to the provisions of this section if that total
24 number of available acres is less than 400,000
25 acres.

1 (3) RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—The Secretary shall issue
2 any rights-of-way, easements, authorizations, per-
3 mits, verifications, extensions, biological opinions, in-
4 cidental take statements, and any other approvals
5 across the Coastal Plain to facilitate the exploration,
6 development, production, or transportation of oil or
7 gas under a lease issued under a lease sale con-
8 ducted under this subsection or reissued pursuant to
9 subsection (c).

10 (4) LEASING CERTAINTY.—The rights-of-way,
11 easements, authorizations, permits, verifications, ex-
12 tensions, biological opinions, incidental take state-
13 ments, and any other approvals or orders described
14 in paragraph (3) and the record of decision de-
15 scribed in subsection (b)(2)(B) shall be considered to
16 satisfy the requirements of—

17 (A) the Alaska National Interest Lands
18 Conservation Act;

19 (B) the National Environmental Policy Act
20 of 1969;

21 (C) Public Law 115–97;

22 (D) the Endangered Species Act of 1973;

23 (E) subchapter II of chapter 5 of title 5,
24 United States Code, and chapter 7 of title 5,
25 United States Code; and

1 (F) the Marine Mammal Protection Act of
2 1972.

3 (e) LEASE ISSUANCE.—Leases shall be reissued or
4 issued under subsections (c) and (d)—

5 (1) not later than 60 days after payment by the
6 successful bidder of the remainder of the bonus bid,
7 if any, and the annual rental for the first lease year;

8 (2) in accordance with the applicable regula-
9 tions, as in effect on January 6, 2021; and

10 (3) in accordance with the terms and conditions
11 from the record of decision described in the notice
12 of availability of the Bureau of Land Management
13 entitled “Notice of Availability of the Record of De-
14 cision for the Final Environmental Impact State-
15 ment for the Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing
16 Program, Alaska” (85 Fed. Reg. 51754 (August 21,
17 2020)).

18 (f) GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS.—Not later than 30 days
19 after the date on which the Secretary receives a complete
20 application pursuant to section 3152.1 of title 43, Code
21 of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulations), to
22 conduct oil and gas geophysical exploration operations in
23 the Coastal Plain, the Secretary shall approve such appli-
24 cation.

1 (g) RECEIPTS.—Notwithstanding section 35 of the
2 Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 191) and section
3 20001(b)(5) of Public Law 115–97 (16 U.S.C. 668dd
4 note), of the amount of adjusted bonus, rental, and royalty
5 receipts derived from the oil and gas program and oper-
6 ations on the Coastal Plain pursuant to this section—

7 (1)(A) for fiscal years 2025 through 2034, 50
8 percent shall be paid to the State of Alaska; and

9 (B) for fiscal year 2035 and thereafter, 90 per-
10 cent shall be paid to the State of Alaska; and

11 (2) the balance shall be deposited into the
12 Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

13 (h) JUDICIAL PRECLUSION.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
15 graph (2), no court shall have jurisdiction to review
16 any action taken by the Secretary, the Administrator
17 of the Environmental Protection Agency, a State or
18 municipal government administrative agency, or any
19 other Federal agency (acting pursuant to Federal
20 law) to—

21 (A) reissue a lease pursuant to subsection
22 (c) or issue a lease under a lease sale conducted
23 under subsection (d); or

24 (B) grant or issue a right-of-way, ease-
25 ment, authorization, permit, verification, bio-

1 logical opinion, incidental take statement, or
2 other approval for a lease reissued pursuant to
3 subsection (c) or issued under a lease sale con-
4 ducted under subsection (d), whether reissued
5 or issued prior to, on, or after the date of the
6 enactment of this Act, and including any law-
7 suit or any other action pending in a court as
8 of the date of enactment of this Act.

9 (2) PETITION BY LEASEHOLDER.—

10 (A) IN GENERAL.—A leaseholder or the
11 State of Alaska may obtain a review of an al-
12 leged failure by the Secretary to act in accord-
13 ance with this section or with any law per-
14 taining to granting or issuing a lease, right-of-
15 way, easement, authorization, permit,
16 verification, biological opinion, incidental take
17 statement, or other approval related to a lease
18 under this section by filing a written petition
19 with a court of competent jurisdiction seeking
20 an order.

21 (B) DEADLINES.—If a court of competent
22 jurisdiction finds pursuant to subparagraph (A)
23 that an agency has failed to act in accordance
24 with this section or with any law pertaining to
25 granting or issuing a lease, right-of-way, ease-

1 ment, authorization, permit, verification, bio-
2 logical opinion, incidental take statement, or
3 other approval related to a lease under this sec-
4 tion, the court shall set a schedule and deadline
5 for the agency to act as soon as practicable,
6 which shall not exceed 90 days from the date
7 on which the order of the court is issued, unless
8 the court determines a longer time period is
9 necessary to comply with applicable law.

10 **SEC. 80122. NATIONAL PETROLEUM RESERVE—ALASKA.**

11 (a) RESTORATION OF NPR—A OIL AND GAS PRO-
12 GRAM.—Effective beginning on the date of enactment of
13 this Act, the Secretary shall—

14 (1) expeditiously restore and resume the Pro-
15 gram for domestic energy production to generate
16 Federal revenue, subject to the requirements of sec-
17 tion 107 of the Naval Petroleum Reserves Produc-
18 tion Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 6506a); and

19 (2) cease to implement, administer, or enforce
20 the regulations contained in part 2360 of title 43,
21 Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on the
22 date of the enactment of this Act).

23 (3) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

24 (A) PROGRAM.—The term “Program”
25 means the competitive oil and gas leasing, ex-

1 ploration, development, and production program
2 established under section 107 of the Naval Pe-
3 troleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 (42
4 U.S.C. 6506a).

5 (B) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
6 means the Secretary of the Interior.

7 (b) PURPOSE.—The Naval Petroleum Reserves Pro-
8 duction Act of 1976 is amended by inserting before section
9 101 (42 U.S.C. 6501) the following:

10 **“SECTION 1. PURPOSE.**

11 “The purpose of this Act is to require and facilitate
12 a leasing program in the National Petroleum Reserve in
13 Alaska for the expeditious exploration, development, and
14 production of petroleum to meet the energy needs of the
15 Nation and the world. In order to accomplish this purpose,
16 the Secretary shall, in consultation with the State of Alas-
17 ka and the North Slope Borough, Alaska, expedite admin-
18 istration of the Program for domestic energy production
19 and Federal revenue as prescribed in section 107(d) of the
20 Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 (42
21 U.S.C. 6506a(d)).”.

22 (c) REQUIRED LEASE SALES.—Section 107(d) of the
23 Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 (42
24 U.S.C. 6506a(d)) is amended—

1 (1) by striking “FIRST LEASE SALE.—The first
2 lease” and inserting “REQUIRED LEASE SALES.—

3 “(1) FIRST LEASE SALE.—The first lease”; and

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

5 “(2) SUBSEQUENT LEASE SALES.—

6 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-
7 graph (B), beginning in the first full calendar
8 year after the date of enactment of this para-
9 graph, the Secretary shall conduct an oil and
10 gas lease sale in the reserve not less frequently
11 than once every two years.

12 “(B) ACREAGES.—The Secretary shall
13 offer not fewer than 4,000,000 acres in each
14 lease sale conducted under subparagraph (A).

15 “(C) TERMS AND STIPULATIONS FOR NPR-
16 A LEASE SALES.—In conducting lease sales
17 under this paragraph, the Secretary shall offer
18 the same lease form as lease form AK-3130-1
19 (March 2018) and the same lease terms, eco-
20 nomic conditions, and stipulations as described
21 in the NPR-A record of decision published by
22 the Bureau of Land Management entitled ‘Na-
23 tional Petroleum Reserve in Alaska Integrated
24 Activity Plan Record of Decision’ (December
25 2020).”.

1 (d) RECEIPTS.—Section 107(l) of the Naval Petro-
2 leum Reserves Production Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C.
3 6506a(l)) is amended—

4 (1) by striking “All receipts from” and insert-
5 ing the following:

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
7 graph (2), all receipts from”; and

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

9 “(2) PERCENT SHARE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2035
10 AND THEREAFTER.—Beginning in fiscal year 2035,
11 of the receipts described in paragraph (1)—

12 “(A) 90 percent shall be paid to the State
13 of Alaska; and

14 “(B) 10 percent shall be paid into the
15 Treasury of the United States.”.

16 (e) FACILITATION.—Section 107(n)(2) of the Naval
17 Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C.
18 6506a(n)(2)) is amended to read as follows:

19 “(2) SUBSEQUENT LEASE SALES.—The detailed
20 environmental study and assessments that have been
21 conducted and identified in the document titled ‘No-
22 tice of Availability of the National Petroleum Re-
23 serve in Alaska Integrated Activity Plan Final Envi-
24 ronmental Impact Statement’ (85 Fed. Reg. 38388
25 (June 26, 2020)) are deemed to fulfill the require-

1 ments of the National Environmental Policy Act of
2 1969 with regard to the oil and gas lease sales re-
3 quired by subsection (d)(2).”.

4 (f) GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS; JUDICIAL PRE-
5 CLUSION.—Section 107 of the Naval Petroleum Reserves
6 Production Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 6506a) is amended
7 by adding at the end the following:

8 “(q) GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS.—Not later than 30
9 days after the date on which the Secretary of the Interior
10 receives a complete application pursuant to section 3152.1
11 of title 43, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor
12 regulations), to conduct oil and gas geophysical explo-
13 ration operations in the National Petroleum Reserve in
14 Alaska, the Secretary of the Interior shall approve such
15 application.

16 “(r) JUDICIAL PRECLUSION.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
18 graph (2), no court shall have jurisdiction to review
19 any action taken by the Secretary of the Interior, a
20 State or municipal government administrative agen-
21 cy, or any other Federal agency (acting pursuant to
22 Federal law) to grant or issue a right-of-way, ease-
23 ment, authorization, permit, verification, biological
24 opinion, incidental take statement, or other approval
25 for a lease issued under this Act, whether issued

1 prior to, on, or after the date of the enactment of
2 this subsection, and including any lawsuit or any
3 other action pending in a court as of the date of en-
4 actment of this subsection.

5 “(2) PETITION BY LEASEHOLDER.—

6 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A leaseholder or the
7 State of Alaska may obtain a review of an al-
8 leged failure by the Secretary of the Interior to
9 act in accordance with this Act by filing a writ-
10 ten petition with a court of competent jurisdic-
11 tion seeking an order.

12 “(B) DEADLINES.—If a court of com-
13 petent jurisdiction finds pursuant to subpara-
14 graph (A) that an agency has failed to act in
15 accordance with this Act, the court shall set a
16 schedule and deadline for the agency to act as
17 soon as practicable, which shall not exceed 90
18 days from the date on which the order of the
19 court is issued, unless the court determines a
20 longer time period is necessary to comply with
21 applicable law.”.

1 **PART IV—MINING**

2 **SEC. 80131. SUPERIOR NATIONAL FOREST LANDS IN MIN-**
3 **NESOTA.**

4 (a) RESCISSION.—The Public Land Order of the Bu-
5 reau of Land Management titled “Public Land Order No.
6 7917 for Withdrawal of Federal Lands; Cook, Lake, and
7 Saint Louis Counties, MN” (88 Fed. Reg. 6308; published
8 January 31, 2023) is hereby rescinded and shall have no
9 force or effect.

10 (b) REINSTATEMENT, ISSUANCE, AND MODIFICATION
11 OF CERTAIN HARDROCK MINERAL LEASES.—

12 (1) REINSTATEMENT AND TERM MODIFICA-
13 TION.—

14 (A) REINSTATEMENT.—Notwithstanding
15 Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1946 (5 U.S.C.
16 App.), section 2478 of the Revised Statutes (43
17 U.S.C. 1457c), the Act of June 30, 1950 (64
18 Stat. 311; 16 U.S.C. 508b), and the Act of
19 March 4, 1917 (39 Stat. 1150; 16 U.S.C. 520),
20 and not later than 5 calendar days after the
21 date of the enactment of this section, the Sec-
22 retary shall reinstate each covered lease.

23 (B) LEASE TERM.—Upon reinstatement of
24 each covered lease under subparagraph (A)—

25 (i) each covered lease shall have an
26 initial term of 20 years from the date of

1 such reinstatement and a right to succes-
2 sive renewals in accordance with paragraph
3 (4);

4 (ii) the Secretary shall toll the initial
5 term of a covered lease during any period
6 in which permitting activities of the cov-
7 ered lease are delayed by legal or adminis-
8 trative proceedings not initiated by the
9 holder of the covered lease; and

10 (iii) the Secretary shall extend the ini-
11 tial term of a covered lease by a period
12 equal to any tolling period under clause
13 (ii).

14 (C) APPLICABLE TERMS.—Except as modi-
15 fied by this section, all terms and conditions of
16 each covered lease shall be in accordance with
17 the original terms of the covered lease.

18 (2) REVENUE PROVISIONS.—

19 (A) REINSTATEMENT FEE.—Upon rein-
20 statement of each covered lease under para-
21 graph (1)(A), the holder of a covered lease shall
22 pay to the Secretary a one-time fee of \$100 per
23 acre of the covered lease.

24 (B) SUPPLEMENTAL RENTAL.—In addition
25 to the rental payment specified in the reinstated

1 covered lease, the holder of a covered lease shall
2 pay to the Secretary an annual supplemental
3 rental of \$10 per acre of the covered lease dur-
4 ing years 6 through 10 of the initial term of the
5 covered lease.

6 (C) REVENUE ALLOCATION.—All revenues
7 collected under this paragraph shall be depos-
8 ited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

9 (3) GRANT OF PREFERENCE RIGHT HARDROCK
10 MINERAL LEASE.—

11 (A) CONGRESSIONAL GRANT.—Notwith-
12 standing Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1946 (5
13 U.S.C. App.), section 2478 of the Revised Stat-
14 utes (43 U.S.C. 1457c), the Act of June 30,
15 1950 (64 Stat. 311; 16 U.S.C. 508b), and the
16 Act of March 4, 1917 (39 Stat. 1150; 16
17 U.S.C. 520), and in recognition of the valid ex-
18 isting rights created through the finding of a
19 valuable mineral deposit as determined by the
20 issuance of a Notice of Preliminary Valuable
21 Deposit Determination from the Bureau of
22 Land Management, Congress hereby grants to
23 any holder of a Notice of Preliminary Valuable
24 Deposit Determination issued between January
25 20, 2017, and January 20, 2021, a preference

1 right hardrock mineral lease subject to the
2 terms described in this paragraph.

3 (B) LEASE TERMS.—Each preference right
4 hardrock mineral lease granted under subpara-
5 graph (A) shall—

6 (i) have an initial term of 20 years
7 from the date of such grant and a right to
8 successive renewals in accordance with
9 paragraph (4);

10 (ii) except as provided in clause (iv),
11 be subject to the same terms and condi-
12 tions as adjacent covered leases, as modi-
13 fied by this section;

14 (iii) be deemed part of the unified
15 mining operation with adjacent covered
16 leases for purposes of mine planning and
17 operations; and

18 (iv) not be required to meet the dili-
19 gence requirements of adjacent covered
20 leases until the date on which the first
21 term of the preference right hardrock min-
22 eral lease after the lease is renewed under
23 paragraph (4) begins.

24 (C) REVENUE PROVISIONS.—

1 (i) IN GENERAL.—Upon the grant of
2 each preference right hardrock mineral
3 lease under subparagraph (A), the holder
4 of each lease shall pay to the Secretary—

5 (I) a one-time issuance fee of
6 \$250 per acre of the preference right
7 hardrock mineral lease;

8 (II) an annual rental payment of
9 \$1 per acre of the preference right
10 hardrock mineral lease per year; and

11 (III) a production royalty in ac-
12 cordance with the terms and condi-
13 tions described in subparagraph
14 (B)(ii).

15 (ii) DEPOSIT OF AMOUNTS.—Amounts
16 collected under this subparagraph shall be
17 deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous
18 receipts.

19 (4) RENEWAL PROVISIONS.—

20 (A) RENEWAL QUALIFICATION.—If, during
21 the last 2 years of each initial or renewal term
22 of a lease reinstated, granted, or renewed under
23 this subsection, the holder of the lease requests
24 renewal, the Secretary shall renew the lease in
25 accordance with this paragraph.

1 (B) RENEWAL PROCESS.—

2 (i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90
3 days before the date on which the term of
4 a lease for which the holder of the lease re-
5 quests renewal under subparagraph (A)
6 ends, the holder of the lease shall pay to
7 the Secretary a renewal fee of \$100 per
8 acre of the lease.

9 (ii) RENEWAL REQUIRED.—Upon re-
10 ceipt of a renewal request under subpara-
11 graph (A) and the renewal fee required
12 under clause (i) of this subparagraph, the
13 Secretary shall renew the lease that is the
14 subject of the renewal request for an addi-
15 tional 10-year term.

16 (C) RENEWAL CONDITIONS.—

17 (i) IN GENERAL.—

18 (I) MINE PLAN OF OPERATIONS
19 NOT REQUIRED DURING INITIAL
20 TERM.—Approval of a mine plan of
21 operations is not required during the
22 initial term of a lease reinstated or
23 granted under this subsection.

24 (II) MINIMUM PRODUCTION RE-
25 QUIREMENTS.—Minimum production

1 requirements as described in adjacent
2 covered leases shall begin with respect
3 to a lease reinstated or granted under
4 this subsection on the date that is 5
5 years after the approval of a mine
6 plan of operations for such lease.

7 (ii) ANNUAL RENTAL PAYMENTS.—
8 The annual rental payment for a lease re-
9 newed under this subsection shall be \$2
10 per acre more than the annual rental pay-
11 ment of such lease during the preceding
12 term of such lease.

13 (5) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—The reinstatement,
15 modification, or grant of a lease, or a combina-
16 tion thereof, under this section is not subject to
17 judicial review.

18 (B) EXCEPTION.—Notwithstanding sub-
19 paragraph (A), the holder of a lease reinstated,
20 modified, or granted under this subsection may
21 seek review of an alleged failure by the Sec-
22 retary to act in accordance with this section.

23 (6) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

24 (A) COVERED LEASE.—The term “covered
25 lease” means a hardrock mineral lease—

1 (i) located within the Superior Na-
2 tional Forest in the State of Minnesota;

3 (ii) issued or renewed in between Jan-
4 uary 20, 2017, and January 19, 2021; and

5 (iii) cancelled or otherwise rescinded
6 between January 20, 2021, and January
7 20, 2025.

8 (B) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
9 means the Secretary of the Interior.

10 **SEC. 80132. AMBLER ROAD IN ALASKA.**

11 (a) ANILCA.—Section 201(4)(b) of the Alaska Na-
12 tional Interest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C.
13 410hh(4)(b)) is amended by adding at the end “In accord-
14 ance with the provisions of this subsection, each Federal
15 agency shall approve each authorization within its jurisdic-
16 tion with respect to the surface transportation corridor
17 and each such Federal agency shall promptly issue, in ac-
18 cordance with applicable law, such rights-of-way, permits,
19 licenses, leases, certificates, or other authorizations as are
20 necessary with respect to the establishment of the surface
21 transportation corridor, including the Secretary, who shall
22 permit such access across all Federal land and public
23 lands, including across the Western (Kobuk River) unit
24 of the Gates of the Arctic National Preserve administered
25 by the National Park Service and the Central Yukon Plan-

1 ning Area administered by the Bureau of Land Manage-
2 ment. Each such authorization shall be deemed to satisfy
3 all requirements of all applicable Federal law and shall
4 not be subject to judicial review.””.

5 (b) REINSTATEMENT OF JOINT RECORD OF DECI-
6 SION.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-
7 ment of this subtitle, the Secretary shall—

8 (1) rescind the record of decision published by
9 the Bureau of Land Management titled “Ambler
10 Road Supplemental Environmental Impact State-
11 ment” (June 2024);

12 (2) reinstate, as amended if the Secretary de-
13 termines necessary, and publish in the Federal Reg-
14 ister the Joint Record of Decision, which selected
15 Alternative A as the preferred alternative; and

16 (3) issue to the Applicant all Federal rights-of-
17 way on Federal land and public lands, and any asso-
18 ciated permits, approvals, or other authorizations, as
19 necessary to implement the Joint Record of Decision
20 published under paragraph (2).

21 (c) RENTAL PAYMENTS.—The rental fee paid by the
22 Applicant to the Bureau of Land Management for a right-
23 of-way issued pursuant to subsection (b)(3) shall be
24 \$500,000 for each of fiscal years 2025 through 2034.

1 (d) RECEIPTS.—Receipts derived from adjusted rent-
2 al receipts under subsection (c) shall be deposited into the
3 Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

4 (e) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—An action taken by the Sec-
6 retary pursuant to this section is not subject to judi-
7 cial review.

8 (2) EXCEPTION.—Notwithstanding paragraph
9 (1), the Applicant may seek review of an alleged fail-
10 ure by the Secretary to act in accordance with this
11 section.

12 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13 (1) ALTERNATIVE A.—The term “Alternative
14 A” means Alternative A as described in “Section 2
15 (Alternatives)” of the document titled “Ambler Road
16 Environmental Impact Statement, Final, Volume 1:
17 Chapters 1–3, Appendices A–F) (March 2020)”.

18 (2) APPLICANT.—The term “Applicant” has
19 the meaning given the term in the document titled
20 “Ambler Road Environmental Impact Statement,
21 Final, Volume 1: Chapters 1–3, Appendices A–F)
22 (March 2020)”.

23 (3) FEDERAL LAND.—The term “Federal land”
24 has the meaning given such term in section 102 of

1 the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation
2 Act (16 U.S.C. 3102).

3 (4) JOINT RECORD OF DECISION.—The term
4 “Joint Record of Decision” means the Joint Record
5 of Decision as described in the document titled
6 “Ambler Road Environmental Impact Statement
7 Joint Record of Decision (July 2020)”.

8 (5) PUBLIC LANDS.—The term “public lands”
9 has the meaning given such term in section 102 of
10 the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation
11 Act (16 U.S.C. 3102).

12 (6) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
13 the Secretary of the Interior.

14 **PART V—COAL**

15 **SEC. 80141. COAL LEASING.**

16 (a) MANDATORY LEASING AND OTHER REQUIRED
17 APPROVALS.—Not later than 90 days after the date of en-
18 actment of this Act in the case of a pending application,
19 or not later than 90 days after the date of submission in
20 the case of an application submitted after the date of the
21 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall—

22 (1) with respect to each qualified application—
23 (A) if not previously published for public
24 comment, publish any required environmental
25 review;

1 (B) finalize the fair market value of the
2 applicable coal tract;

3 (C) hold a lease sale with respect to the
4 applicable coal tract;

5 (D) take all other intermediate actions nec-
6 essary to grant the qualified application; and

7 (E) after completing the actions required
8 by subparagraphs (A) through (D), grant the
9 qualified application and issue the applicable
10 lease to the person that submitted the qualified
11 application if that person submitted the highest
12 bid in the lease sale held under subparagraph
13 (C); and

14 (2) with respect to previously issued coal leases,
15 grant any additional approvals of the Department of
16 the Interior required for mining activities to com-
17 mence.

18 (b) LEASES FOR KNOWN RECOVERABLE COAL RE-
19 SOURCES.—Notwithstanding section 2(a)(3)(A) of the
20 Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 201(a)(3)(A)) and section
21 202 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of
22 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712), not later than 90 days after the
23 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior
24 shall make available for lease known recoverable coal re-
25 sources of not less than 4,000,000 additional acres on

1 Federal land west of the 100th meridian located in the
2 48 contiguous States and Alaska, but which shall not in-
3 clude any Federal land within—

4 (1) a National Monument;

5 (2) a National Recreation Area;

6 (3) a component of the National Wilderness
7 Preservation System;

8 (4) a component of the National Wild and Sce-
9 nic Rivers System;

10 (5) a component of the National Trails System;

11 (6) a National Conservation Area;

12 (7) a unit of the National Wildlife Refuge Sys-
13 tem;

14 (8) a unit of the National Fish Hatchery Sys-
15 tem;

16 (9) a unit of the National Park System;

17 (10) a National Preserve;

18 (11) a National Seashore or National Lake-
19 shore;

20 (12) a National Historic Site;

21 (13) a National Memorial;

22 (14) a National Battlefield, National Battlefield
23 Park, National Battlefield Site, or National Military
24 Park; or

25 (15) a National Historical Park.

1 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

2 (1) COAL LEASE.—The term “coal lease”
3 means a lease entered into by the United States as
4 lessor, through the Bureau of Land Management,
5 and an applicant on Bureau of Land Management
6 Form 3400–012, or a successor form that contains
7 terms of a coal lease.

8 (2) QUALIFIED APPLICATION.—The term
9 “qualified application” means an application for a
10 coal lease pending as of the date of enactment of
11 this Act or submitted within 90 days thereafter
12 under the lease by application program administered
13 by the Bureau of Land Management pursuant to the
14 Mineral Leasing Act.

15 **SEC. 80142. FUTURE COAL LEASING.**

16 Secretarial Order 3338, issued by the Secretary of
17 the Interior on January 15, 2016, or any other actions
18 limiting the Federal coal leasing program, shall have no
19 force or effect.

20 **SEC. 80143. COAL ROYALTY.**

21 (a) RATE.—Section 7(a) of the Mineral Leasing Act
22 (30 U.S.C. 207(a)) is amended by striking “12½ per cen-
23 tum” and inserting “12½ percent, except such amount
24 shall be not more than 7 percent during the period that

1 begins on the date of enactment of subsection (s) of sec-
2 tion 17 and ends September 30, 2034,”.

3 (b) RETROACTIVITY.—The amendment made by sub-
4 section (a) shall apply to a coal lease—

5 (1) issued under section 2 of the Mineral Leas-
6 ing Act (30 U.S.C. 201) before, on, or after the date
7 of the enactment of this subtitle; and

8 (2) that has not been terminated.

9 (c) ADVANCE ROYALTIES.—With respect to a lease
10 issued under section 2 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30
11 U.S.C. 201) for which the lessee has paid advance roy-
12 ties under section 7(b) of that Act (30 U.S.C. 207(b)),
13 the Secretary of the Interior shall provide to the lessee
14 a credit for the difference between the amount paid by
15 the lessee in advance royalties for the lease before the date
16 of the enactment of this subtitle and the amount the lessee
17 would have been required to pay if the amendment made
18 by subsection (a) had been made before the lessee paid
19 advance royalties for the lease.

20 **SEC. 80144. AUTHORIZATION TO MINE FEDERAL MINERALS.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—All Federal coal reserves leased
22 under Federal Coal Lease MTM 97988 located within the
23 covered Federal land are authorized to be mined in accord-
24 ance with the Bull Mountains Mining Plan Modification.

25 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 (1) BULL MOUNTAINS MINING PLAN MODIFICA-
2 TION.—The term “Bull Mountains Mining Plan
3 Modification” means the Mine No. 1, Amendment 3
4 mining plan modification for Federal coal lease
5 MTM 97988 described in the memorandum of the
6 Department of the Interior titled “Recommendation
7 regarding the previously approved mining plan modi-
8 fication for Federal Lease MTM–97988 at Signal
9 Peak Energy, LLC’s Bull Mountains Mine No.1, lo-
10 cated in Musselshell and Yellowstone Counties, Mon-
11 tana” (November 18, 2020).

12 (2) COVERED FEDERAL LAND.—The term “cov-
13 ered Federal land” means the following land com-
14 prising approximately 800 acres:

15 (A) The NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec. 8, T. 6 N., R. 27
16 E., Montana Principal Meridian.

17 (B) The SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec. 10, T. 6 N., R. 27
18 E., Montana Principal Meridian.

19 (C) The W $\frac{1}{2}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec. 22, T. 6 N.,
20 R. 27 E., Montana Principal Meridian.

1 **PART VI—NEPA**
2 **SEC. 80151. PROJECT SPONSOR OPT-IN FEES FOR ENVIRON-**
3 **MENTAL REVIEWS.**

4 The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 is
5 amended by inserting after section 111 (42 U.S.C. 4336e)
6 the following:

7 **“SEC. 112. PROJECT SPONSOR OPT-IN FEES FOR ENVIRON-**
8 **MENTAL REVIEWS.**

9 “(a) PROCESS.—

10 “(1) PROJECT SPONSOR.—A project sponsor
11 who intends to pay a fee under this section for the
12 preparation, or supervision of the preparation, of an
13 environmental assessment or environmental impact
14 statement with respect to the project of the project
15 sponsor shall submit to the Council—

16 “(A) a description of the project; and

17 “(B) a declaration of whether the project
18 sponsor intends to prepare the environmental
19 assessment or environmental impact statement
20 under section 107(f) of this title.

21 “(2) COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.—

22 Not later than 15 days after the receipt of the infor-
23 mation described in paragraph (1), the Council shall
24 provide to the project sponsor that submitted such
25 information notice of—

26 “(A) the relevant lead agency; and

1 “(B) the amount of the fee, as determined
2 under subsection (b).

3 “(3) PAYMENT OF FEE.—A project sponsor
4 may pay a fee under this section after receipt of the
5 notice described in paragraph (2).

6 “(4) DEADLINE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS
7 FOR WHICH A FEE IS PAID.—Notwithstanding sec-
8 tion 107(g)(1)—

9 “(A) an environmental assessment for
10 which a fee was paid under this section shall be
11 completed by not later than 6 months after the
12 sooner of, as applicable, the dates described in
13 clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of section
14 107(g)(1)(B); and

15 “(B) an environmental impact statement
16 for which a fee was paid under this section shall
17 be completed by not later than 1 year after the
18 sooner of, as applicable, the dates described in
19 clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of section
20 107(g)(1)(A).

21 “(b) FEE AMOUNT.—The amount of a fee under this
22 section shall be—

23 “(1) in the case of an environmental assessment
24 or environmental impact statement to be prepared
25 by the lead agency, 125 percent of the anticipated

1 costs to prepare the environmental assessment or en-
2 vironmental impact statement; and

3 “(2) in the case of an environmental assessment
4 or environmental impact statement to be prepared in
5 whole or in part by a project sponsor under section
6 107(f), 125 percent of the anticipated costs to su-
7 pervise preparation of, and (as applicable) prepare,
8 the environmental assessment or environmental im-
9 pact statement.

10 “(c) ADMINISTRATIVE AND JUDICIAL REVIEW.—

11 “(1) EA; EIS.—There shall be no administra-
12 tive or judicial review of an environmental assess-
13 ment or environmental impact statement for which
14 a fee is paid under this section.

15 “(2) FONSI; ROD.—An action for administra-
16 tive or judicial review of a finding of no significant
17 impact or record of decision that is associated with
18 an environmental assessment or environmental im-
19 pact statement described in paragraph (1) may not
20 challenge the finding of no significant impact or
21 record of decision based on an alleged issue with the
22 environmental assessment or environmental impact
23 statement.

1 “(B) For each protest filed in a submission
2 exceeding 10 pages in length, in addition to the
3 base filing fee, an assessment of \$5 per page in
4 excess of 10 pages shall apply.

5 “(C) For each protest filed in a submission
6 that includes more than one oil and gas lease
7 parcel, right-of-way, or application for permit to
8 drill, an additional assessment of \$10 per addi-
9 tional lease parcel, right-of-way, or application
10 for permit to drill shall apply.

11 “(3) ADJUSTMENT.—

12 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on January
13 1, 2026, and annually thereafter, the Secretary
14 shall adjust the filing fees established in this
15 subsection to whole dollar amounts to reflect
16 changes in the Producer Price Index, as pub-
17 lished by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, for
18 the previous 12 months.

19 “(B) PUBLICATION OF ADJUSTED FILING
20 FEES.—At least 30 days before an adjustment
21 to a filing fee under this paragraph takes effect,
22 the Secretary shall publish notification of the
23 adjustment in the Federal Register.

1 “(4) REVENUE ALLOCATION.—All revenues col-
2 lected under this paragraph shall be deposited in the
3 Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.”.

4 **PART VIII—OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS LEASING**

5 **SEC. 80171. MANDATORY OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS LEASE**

6 **SALES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—

8 (1) GULF OF AMERICA.—

9 (A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sec-
10 tion 18 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands
11 Act (43 U.S.C. 1344), the Secretary shall hold
12 not fewer than 30 lease sales in the Gulf of
13 America during the 15-year period beginning on
14 the date of the enactment of this section.

15 (B) LOCATION REQUIREMENT.—For each
16 lease sale held under this paragraph, the Sec-
17 retary may offer for lease only an area identi-
18 fied as the Proposed Final Program Area in
19 Figure S–1 of the 2017–2022 Outer Conti-
20 nental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Proposed
21 Final Program referenced in the notice of avail-
22 ability published by the Bureau of Ocean En-
23 ergy Management titled “Notice of Availability
24 of the 2017–2022 Outer Continental Shelf Oil
25 and Gas Leasing Proposed Final Program” (81

1 Fed. Reg. 84612; published November 23,
2 2016).

3 (C) ACREAGE REQUIREMENT.—For each
4 lease sale held under this paragraph, the Sec-
5 retary shall offer for lease—

6 (i) not fewer than 80,000,000 acres;

7 or

8 (ii) if there are fewer than 80,000,000
9 acres that are unleased, all such unleased
10 acres.

11 (D) TIMING REQUIREMENT.—Of the not
12 fewer than 30 lease sales required under this
13 paragraph, the Secretary shall hold not fewer
14 than 1 lease sale on or before each of the fol-
15 lowing dates:

16 (i) August 15, 2025.

17 (ii) March 15, 2026.

18 (iii) August 15, 2026.

19 (iv) March 15, 2027.

20 (v) August 15, 2027.

21 (vi) March 15, 2028.

22 (vii) August 15, 2028.

23 (viii) March 15, 2029.

24 (ix) August 15, 2029.

25 (x) March 15, 2030.

- 1 (xi) August 15, 2030.
- 2 (xii) March 15, 2031.
- 3 (xiii) August 15, 2031.
- 4 (xiv) March 15, 2032.
- 5 (xv) August 15, 2032.
- 6 (xvi) March 15, 2033.
- 7 (xvii) August 15, 2033.
- 8 (xviii) March 15, 2034.
- 9 (xix) August 15, 2034.
- 10 (xx) March 15, 2035.
- 11 (xxi) August 15, 2035.
- 12 (xxii) March 15, 2036.
- 13 (xxiii) August 15, 2036.
- 14 (xxiv) March 15, 2037.
- 15 (xxv) August 15, 2037.
- 16 (xxvi) March 15, 2038.
- 17 (xxvii) August 15, 2038.
- 18 (xxviii) March 15, 2039.
- 19 (xxix) August 15, 2039.
- 20 (xxx) March 15, 2040.

21 (E) LEASE TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

22 (i) IN GENERAL.—For each lease sale
23 held under this paragraph, the Secretary
24 shall offer the same lease form, lease
25 terms, economic conditions, and stipula-

1 tions 4 through 10 as contained in the Bu-
2 reau of Ocean Energy Management final
3 notice of sale titled “Gulf of Mexico Outer
4 Continental Shelf Region-Wide Oil and
5 Gas Lease Sale 254” (85 Fed. Reg. 8010;
6 published February 12, 2020).

7 (ii) UPDATE.—The Secretary is au-
8 thorized to update stipulations 1 through 3
9 of the final notice of sale titled “Gulf of
10 Mexico Outer Continental Shelf Region-
11 Wide Oil and Gas Lease Sale 254” (85
12 Fed. Reg. 8010; published February 12,
13 2020) to reflect current conditions for
14 lease sales held under this paragraph.

15 (2) COOK INLET PLANNING AREA.—

16 (A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sec-
17 tion 18 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands
18 Act (43 U.S.C. 1344), the Secretary shall hold
19 not fewer than 6 lease sales in the Cook Inlet
20 Planning Area during the 10-year period begin-
21 ning on the date of the enactment of this sec-
22 tion.

23 (B) LOCATION REQUIREMENT.—For each
24 lease sale held under this paragraph, the Sec-
25 retary may offer for lease only an area identi-

1 fied in Figure S–2 of the 2017–2022 Outer
2 Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Pro-
3 posed Final Program referenced in the notice of
4 availability published by the Bureau of Ocean
5 Energy Management titled “Notice of Avail-
6 ability of the 2017–2022 Outer Continental
7 Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Proposed Final Pro-
8 gram” (81 Fed. Reg. 84612; published Novem-
9 ber 23, 2016).

10 (C) ACREAGE REQUIREMENT.—For each
11 lease sale held under this paragraph, the Sec-
12 retary shall offer for lease—

13 (i) not fewer than 1,000,000 acres; or
14 (ii) if there are fewer than 1,000,000
15 acres that are unleased, all such unleased
16 acres.

17 (D) TIMING REQUIREMENT.—Of the not
18 fewer than 6 lease sales required under this
19 paragraph, the Secretary shall hold not fewer
20 than 1 lease sale on or before each of the fol-
21 lowing dates:

22 (i) March 15, 2026.
23 (ii) March 15, 2027.
24 (iii) August 15, 2028.
25 (iv) March 15, 2030.

1 (v) August 15, 2031.

2 (vi) March 15, 2032.

3 (E) LEASE TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—For
4 each lease sale held under this paragraph, the
5 Secretary shall offer the same lease form, lease
6 terms, economic conditions, and stipulations as
7 contained in the final notice of sale titled
8 “Outer Continental Shelf Cook Inlet, Alaska,
9 Oil and Gas Lease Sale 244” (82 Fed. Reg.
10 23163; published May 22, 2017).

11 (F) REVENUE SHARING.—Notwithstanding
12 section 8(g) and 9 of the Outer Continental
13 Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1337(g) and 1338),
14 and beginning in fiscal year 2035, of the bo-
15 nuses, rents, royalties, and other revenues de-
16 rived from leases issued pursuant to this para-
17 graph—

18 (i) 90 percent shall be paid to the
19 State of Alaska; and

20 (ii) 10 percent shall be deposited in
21 the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

22 (b) LEASE SALES HELD UNDER PROPOSED FINAL
23 PROGRAM.—The lease sales held under this section may
24 be in addition to the lease sales held under the Proposed
25 Final Program for the 2024–2029 National Outer Conti-

1 nental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program referenced in
2 the notice of availability published by the Bureau of Ocean
3 Energy Management titled “Notice of Availability of the
4 2024–2029 National Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas
5 Leasing Proposed Final Program and Final Pro-
6 grammatic Environmental Impact Statement” (88 Fed.
7 Reg. 67798; published October 2, 2023).

8 (c) OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—During the period be-
9 ginning on the date of the enactment of this section and
10 ending on the date that is 2 years after the date on which
11 the last lease sale required to be held under this section
12 is held, with respect to each lease sale held, lease issued,
13 and any activity that requires a Federal authorization and
14 is associated with a lease issued pursuant to this title, the
15 Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, or section 50264 of
16 Public Law 117–169 in the Gulf of America—

17 (1) adherence with the Biological Opinion shall
18 satisfy the Secretary’s obligations under the Endan-
19 gered Species Act of 1973 and the Marine Mammal
20 Protection Act of 1972;

21 (2) the final programmatic environmental im-
22 pact statement referenced in the notice of avail-
23 ability titled “Final Programmatic Environmental
24 Impact Statement for the 2017–2022 Outer Conti-
25 nental Shelf (OCS) Oil and Gas Leasing Program”

1 (81 Fed. Reg. 83870; published November 22,
2 2016), the Record of Decision related to such final
3 programmatic environmental impact statement, and
4 the final environmental impact statement referenced
5 in the notice of availability titled “Final Environ-
6 mental Impact Statement for Outer Continental
7 Shelf, Gulf of Mexico, 2017–2022 Oil and Gas Lease
8 Sales 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 256, 257, 259,
9 and 261” (82 Fed. Reg. 13363; published March 10,
10 2017) shall satisfy the Secretary’s obligations under
11 the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and
12 division A of subtitle III of title 54, United States
13 Code; and

14 (3) the consistency determinations prepared by
15 the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management under
16 section 307 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of
17 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1456) for Lease Sale 261 for the
18 States of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama,
19 and Florida shall satisfy the Secretary’s obligations
20 under that section (16 U.S.C. 1456).

21 (d) WAIVER OF CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS UNDER
22 OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF LANDS ACT.—The Sec-
23 retary may waive any requirement under the Outer Conti-
24 nental Shelf Lands Act that the Secretary determines

1 would delay issuance of a lease under a lease sale held
2 under this section.

3 (e) ISSUANCE OF LEASES.—If the Secretary receives
4 an acceptable bid for an area offered in a lease sale held
5 under this section, the Secretary shall—

6 (1) in accordance with section 8 of the Outer
7 Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1337), ac-
8 cept the highest acceptable bid for such area; and

9 (2) not later than 90 days after the date on
10 which the applicable lease sale ends, issue a lease of
11 the area to the highest responsible qualified bidder.

12 (f) NOMINATION OF AREAS FOR INCLUSION IN
13 LEASE SALE BY GOVERNOR.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish
15 a process through which the Governor of a State
16 may nominate for leasing under a lease sale held
17 under this section an area of the outer Continental
18 Shelf that is—

19 (A) adjacent to the waters of the State;

20 and

21 (B) unleased and available for leasing.

22 (2) INCLUSION OF NOMINATED AREA.—If under
23 paragraph (1) the Governor of a State nominates an
24 area described in that paragraph for leasing under
25 a lease sale held under this section, the Secretary

1 shall include the area in the next scheduled lease
2 sale under subsection (a)(1)(D).

3 (g) GEOLOGICAL AND GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS.—Not
4 later than 30 days after the date on which the Secretary
5 receives a complete application pursuant to section 551.5
6 of title 30, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on
7 September 22, 2015), to conduct a geological or geo-
8 physical survey pursuant to oil and gas activities on the
9 outer Continental Shelf, the Secretary shall approve such
10 application.

11 (h) LEASE SALE 259 AND LEASE SALE 261
12 LEASES.—

13 (1) LEASING REVENUE CERTAINTY.—A lease
14 awarded under Lease Sale 259 or Lease Sale 261,
15 which has been fully executed by the Secretary, shall
16 not be set aside, vacated, enjoined, suspended, or
17 cancelled except in accordance with section 5 of the
18 Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C.
19 1334).

20 (2) NO ADDITIONAL TERMS OR CONDITIONS.—
21 The Secretary shall not impose any additional terms
22 or conditions on a lease awarded under Lease Sale
23 259 or Lease Sale 261, which has been fully exe-
24 cuted by the Secretary, that were not included in the
25 Bureau of Ocean Energy Management final notice of

1 sale titled “Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental Shelf
2 Oil and Gas Lease Sale 259” (88 Fed. Reg. 12404;
3 published Feb. 27, 2023) or the final notice of sale
4 titled “Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental Shelf Oil
5 and Gas Lease Sale 261” (88 Fed. Reg. 80750;
6 published on Nov. 20, 2023).

7 (i) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—Section 23(c)(2) of the Outer
8 Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1349(c)(2)) is
9 amended to read as follows:

10 “(2) Any action of the Secretary to approve, require
11 modification of, or disapprove any exploration plan, devel-
12 opment and production plan, bidding procedure, lease sale,
13 lease issuance, or permit or authorization related to oil
14 and gas exploration, development, or production under
15 this Act, or any inaction by the Secretary resulting in the
16 failure to hold a lease sale under any Federal law requir-
17 ing oil and gas lease sales on the outer Continental Shelf,
18 shall be subject to judicial review only in a United States
19 court of appeals for a circuit in which an affected State
20 is located.”.

21 (j) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

22 (1) ACCEPTABLE BID.—The term “acceptable
23 bid” means a bid that meets the requirements of the
24 document published by the Bureau of Ocean Energy
25 Management titled “Summary of Procedures for De-

1 termining Bid Adequacy at Offshore Oil and Gas
2 Lease Sales Effective March 2016, with Central
3 Gulf of Mexico Sale 241 and Eastern Gulf of Mexico
4 Sale 226”.

5 (2) BIOLOGICAL OPINION.—The term “Biologi-
6 cal Opinion”—

7 (A) means the biological opinion issued by
8 the National Marine Fisheries Service titled
9 “Biological Opinion on the Federally Regulated
10 Oil and Gas Program Activities in the Gulf of
11 Mexico” and the incidental take statement asso-
12 ciated with such biological opinion (published
13 March 12, 2020, and updated April 26, 2021);
14 and

15 (B) does not include sections 3.3.1 through
16 3.3.3 of such biological opinion.

17 (3) LEASE.—The term “lease” means an oil
18 and gas lease.

19 (4) LEASE SALE 259.—The term “Lease Sale
20 259” means the lease sale held by the Bureau of
21 Ocean Energy Management on March 29, 2023.

22 (5) LEASE SALE 261.—The term “Lease Sale
23 261” means the lease sale held by the Bureau of
24 Ocean Energy Management on December 20, 2023.

1 (6) OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF.—The term
2 “outer Continental Shelf” has the meaning given
3 such term in section 2 of the Outer Continental
4 Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331).

5 (7) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
6 the Secretary of the Interior.

7 **SEC. 80172. OFFSHORE COMMINGLING.**

8 The Secretary of the Interior shall approve operator
9 requests to commingle production from multiple reservoirs
10 within a single wellbore completed on the Outer Conti-
11 nental Shelf of the Gulf of America unless conclusive evi-
12 dence establishes that such commingling—

13 (1) could not be conducted in a safe manner; or

14 (2) would result in the ultimate recovery from
15 such formations being reduced.

16 **SEC. 80173. LIMITATIONS ON AMOUNT OF DISTRIBUTED**
17 **QUALIFIED OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF**
18 **REVENUES.**

19 Section 105(f)(1) of the Gulf of Mexico Energy Secu-
20 rity Act of 2006 (43 U.S.C. 1331 note) is amended—

21 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “and” at
22 the end;

23 (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking “2055.”
24 and inserting “2024;”; and

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

1 “(D) \$650,000,000 for each of fiscal years
2 2025 through 2034; and

3 “(E) \$500,000,000 for each of fiscal years
4 2035 through 2055.”.

5 **PART IX—RENEWABLE ENERGY**

6 **SEC. 80181. RENEWABLE ENERGY FEES ON FEDERAL**
7 **LANDS.**

8 (a) **ACREAGE RENT FOR WIND AND SOLAR RIGHTS-**
9 **OF-WAY.—**

10 (1) **IN GENERAL.—**Under the second sentence
11 of section 504(g) of the Federal Land Policy and
12 Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1764(g)), the
13 Secretary shall, subject to paragraph (3) and not
14 later than January 1 of each calendar year, collect
15 from the holder of a right-of-way for a renewable en-
16 ergy project an acreage rent in an amount based on
17 the equation described in paragraph (2).

18 (2) **CALCULATION OF ACREAGE RENT RATE.—**

19 (A) **EQUATION.—**The amount of an acre-
20 age rent collected under paragraph (1) shall be
21 determined using the following equation: Acre-
22 age rent = $A \times B \times ((1 + C)^D)$.

23 (B) **DEFINITIONS.—**For purposes of sub-
24 paragraph (A):

1 (i) The letter “A” means the Per-Acre
2 Rate.

3 (ii) The letter “B” means the Encum-
4 brance Factor.

5 (iii) The letter “C” means the Annual
6 Adjustment Factor.

7 (iv) The letter “D” means the year in
8 the term of the right-of-way.

9 (3) PAYMENT UNTIL PRODUCTION.—The holder
10 of a right-of-way for a renewable energy project shall
11 pay an acreage rent collected under paragraph (1)
12 until the date on which energy generation begins.

13 (b) CAPACITY FEES.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, subject
15 to paragraph (2), annually collect a capacity fee
16 from the holder of a right-of-way for a renewable en-
17 ergy project based on the amount described in para-
18 graph (2).

19 (2) CALCULATION OF CAPACITY FEE.—The
20 amount of a capacity fee collected under paragraph
21 (1) shall be equal to the greater of—

22 (A) an amount equal to the acreage rent
23 described in subsection (a); and

1 (B) 4.58 percent of the gross proceeds
2 from the sale of electricity produced by the re-
3 newable energy project.

4 (3) MULTIPLE-USE REDUCTION FACTOR.—

5 (A) APPLICATION.—The holder of a right-
6 of-way for a wind energy generation project
7 may request that the Secretary apply a 10-per-
8 cent Multiple-Use Reduction Factor to the
9 amount of a capacity fee determined under
10 paragraph (2) by submitting to the Secretary
11 an application for approval.

12 (B) APPROVAL.—The Secretary may ap-
13 prove an application submitted under subpara-
14 graph (A) if not less than 25 percent of the
15 land within the area of the right-of-way is au-
16 thorized for use, occupancy, or development
17 with respect to an activity other than the gen-
18 eration of wind energy for the entirety of the
19 year in which the capacity fee is collected.

20 (C) LATE DETERMINATION.—If the Sec-
21 retary approves an application under subpara-
22 graph (B) for a wind energy generation project
23 after the date on which the holder of the right-
24 of-way for the project begins paying a capacity
25 fee, the Secretary shall apply the Multiple-Use

1 Reduction Factor to the capacity fee in the fol-
2 lowing years. Under this subparagraph, the
3 Secretary may not refund the holder of a right-
4 of-way for the difference in the amount of a ca-
5 pacity fee paid in a previous year.

6 (c) LATE PAYMENT FEE; TERMINATION.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may charge
8 the holder of a right-of-way for a renewable energy
9 project a late payment fee if the Secretary does not
10 receive payment for the acreage rent under sub-
11 section (a) or the capacity fee under subsection (b)
12 by the date that is 15 days after the date on which
13 the payment was due.

14 (2) TERMINATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY.—The
15 Secretary may terminate a right-of-way for a renew-
16 able energy project if the Secretary does not receive
17 payment for the acreage rent under subsection (a)
18 or the capacity fee under subsection (b) by the date
19 that is 90 days after the date on which the payment
20 was due.

21 (d) REVENUE ACCURACY, TRANSPARENCY, AND AC-
22 COUNTABILITY.—The Secretary shall document, verify,
23 and make publicly available the respective amount of wind
24 and solar energy revenues collected under this section on

1 the Department of the Interior’s Natural Resources Rev-
2 enue Data website.

3 (e) ENSURING FEE CERTAINTY.—Section 3103 of
4 the Energy Act of 2020 (43 U.S.C. 3003) is repealed.

5 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 (1) ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT FACTOR.—The term
7 “Annual Adjustment Factor” means 3 percent.

8 (2) ENCUMBRANCE FACTOR.—The term “En-
9 cumbrance Factor” means—

10 (A) 100 percent for solar energy genera-
11 tion facilities; and

12 (B) 10 percent for wind energy generation
13 facilities.

14 (3) PER-ACRE RATE.—The term “Per-Acre
15 Rate” means the average of per-acre pastureland
16 rental rates published in the Cash Rents Survey by
17 the National Agricultural Statistics Service for the
18 State in which the right-of-way is located over the
19 5 calendar-year period preceding the issuance or re-
20 newal of the right-of-way.

21 (4) PROJECT.—The term “project” means a
22 system described in section 2801.9(a)(4) of title 43,
23 Code of Federal Regulations (as such section is in
24 effect on the date of the enactment of this Act).

1 (5) PUBLIC LANDS.—The term “public lands”
2 means—

3 (A) public lands as such term is defined in
4 section 103 of the Federal Land Policy and
5 Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702);
6 and

7 (B) the lands of the National Forest Sys-
8 tem as described in section 11(a) of the Forest
9 and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning
10 Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1609(a)).

11 (6) RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECT.—The term
12 “renewable energy project” means a project located
13 on public lands that uses wind or solar energy to
14 generate energy.

15 (7) RIGHT-OF-WAY.—The term “right-of-way”
16 has the meaning given such term in section 103 of
17 the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of
18 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702).

19 (8) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
20 means—

21 (A) the Secretary of the Interior with re-
22 spect to land controlled or administered by the
23 Secretary of the Interior; or

24 (B) the Secretary of Agriculture with re-
25 spect to the lands of the National Forest Sys-

1 tem controlled or administered by the Secretary
2 of Agriculture.

3 **SEC. 80182. RENEWABLE ENERGY REVENUE SHARING.**

4 (a) DISPOSITION OF REVENUE.—

5 (1) DISPOSITION OF REVENUES.—Beginning on
6 January 1, 2026, the amounts collected from a re-
7 newable energy project as bonus bids, rentals, fees,
8 or other payments under a right-of-way, permit,
9 lease, or other authorization shall be—

10 (A) deposited in the general fund of the
11 Treasury; and

12 (B) without further appropriation or fiscal
13 year limitation, allocated as follows:

14 (i) 25 percent shall be paid from
15 amounts in the general fund of the Treas-
16 ury to the State within the boundaries of
17 which the revenue is derived.

18 (ii) 25 percent shall be paid from
19 amounts in the general fund of the Treas-
20 ury to each county within the boundaries
21 of which the revenue is derived, to be allo-
22 cated among each such county based on
23 the percentage of land from which the rev-
24 enue is derived.

25 (2) PAYMENTS TO STATES AND COUNTIES.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—The amounts paid to
2 States and counties under paragraph (1) shall
3 be used consistent with section 35 of the Min-
4 eral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 191).

5 (B) PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES.—A
6 payment to a county under paragraph (1) shall
7 be in addition to a payment in lieu of taxes re-
8 ceived by the county under chapter 69 of title
9 31, United States Code.

10 (C) TIMING.—The amounts required to be
11 paid under paragraph (1)(B) for an applicable
12 fiscal year shall be made available not later
13 than the fiscal year that immediately follows
14 the fiscal year for which the amounts were col-
15 lected.

16 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

17 (1) COVERED LAND.—The term “covered land”
18 means land that is—

19 (A) public lands administered by the Sec-
20 retary; and

21 (B) not excluded from the development of
22 solar or wind energy under—

23 (i) a land use plan; or

24 (ii) other Federal law.

1 (2) PUBLIC LANDS.—The term “public lands”
2 means—

3 (A) public lands as such term is defined in
4 section 103 of the Federal Land Policy and
5 Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702);
6 and

7 (B) lands of the National Forest System
8 as described in section 11(a) of the Forest and
9 Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act
10 of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1609(a)).

11 (3) RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECT.—The term
12 “renewable energy project” means a system de-
13 scribed in section 2801.9(a)(4) of title 43, Code of
14 Federal Regulations (as such section is in effect on
15 the date of the enactment of this Act), located on
16 covered land that uses wind or solar energy to gen-
17 erate energy.

18 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
19 means—

20 (A) the Secretary of the Interior with re-
21 spect to land controlled or administered by the
22 Secretary of the Interior; or

23 (B) the Secretary of Agriculture with re-
24 spect to the lands of the National Forest Sys-

1 tem controlled or administered by the Secretary
2 of Agriculture.

3 **Subtitle B—Water, Wildlife, and**
4 **Fisheries**

5 **SEC. 80201. RESCISSION OF FUNDS FOR INVESTING IN**
6 **COASTAL COMMUNITIES AND CLIMATE RE-**
7 **SILIENCE.**

8 There is hereby rescinded the unobligated balance of
9 funds made available by section 40001 of Public Law
10 117–169.

11 **SEC. 80202. RESCISSION OF FUNDS FOR FACILITIES OF NA-**
12 **TIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMIN-**
13 **ISTRATION AND NATIONAL MARINE SANC-**
14 **TUARIES.**

15 There is hereby rescinded the unobligated balance of
16 funds made available by section 40002 of Public Law
17 117–169.

18 **SEC. 80203. SURFACE WATER STORAGE ENHANCEMENT.**

19 In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is
20 appropriated to the Secretary of the Interior, acting
21 through the Commissioner of Reclamation, for fiscal year
22 2025, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise ap-
23 propriated, \$2,000,000,000, to remain available through
24 September 30, 2034, for construction and associated ac-
25 tivities that increase the capacity of existing Bureau of

1 Reclamation surface water storage facilities, in a manner
2 as determined by the Secretary: *Provided*, That, for the
3 purposes of section 203 of the Reclamation Reform Act
4 of 1982 (43 U.S.C. 390cc) or section 3404(a) of the Rec-
5 lamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of
6 1992 (Public Law 102–575), a contract or agreement en-
7 tered into pursuant to this section shall not be treated as
8 a new or amended contract. None of the funds provided
9 under this section shall be reimbursable or subject to
10 matching or cost-share requirements.

11 **SEC. 80204. WATER CONVEYANCE ENHANCEMENT.**

12 In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is
13 appropriated to the Secretary of the Interior, acting
14 through the Commissioner of Reclamation, for fiscal year
15 2025, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise ap-
16 propriated, \$500,000,000, to remain available through
17 September 30, 2034, for construction and associated ac-
18 tivities that restore or increase the capacity of existing Bu-
19 reau of Reclamation conveyance facilities, in a manner as
20 determined by the Secretary. None of the funds provided
21 under this section shall be reimbursable or subject to
22 matching or cost-share requirements.

1 **Subtitle C—Federal Lands**

2 **SEC. 80301. PROHIBITION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF**
3 **THE ROCK SPRINGS FIELD OFFICE, WYO-**
4 **MING, RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

5 The Secretary of the Interior shall not implement, ad-
6 minister, or enforce the Record of Decision and Approved
7 Resource Management Plan referred to in the notice of
8 availability titled “Notice of Availability of the Record of
9 Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan for
10 the Rock Springs Field Office, Wyoming” published by the
11 Bureau of Land Management on January 7, 2025 (80
12 Fed. Reg. 1186).

13 **SEC. 80302. PROHIBITION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF**
14 **THE BUFFALO FIELD OFFICE, WYOMING, RE-**
15 **SOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

16 The Secretary of the Interior shall not implement, ad-
17 minister, or enforce the Record of Decision and Approved
18 Resource Management Plan Amendment referred to in the
19 notice of availability titled “Notice of Availability of the
20 Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management
21 Plan Amendment for the Buffalo Field Office, Wyoming”
22 published by the Bureau of Land Management on Novem-
23 ber 27, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 93650).

1 **SEC. 80303. PROHIBITION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF**
2 **THE MILES CITY FIELD OFFICE, MONTANA,**
3 **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

4 The Secretary of the Interior shall not implement, ad-
5 minister, or enforce the Record of Decision and Approved
6 Resource Management Plan Amendment referred to in the
7 notice of availability titled “Notice of Availability of the
8 Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management
9 Plan Amendment for the Miles City Field Office, Mon-
10 tana” published by the Bureau of Land Management on
11 November 27, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 93650).

12 **SEC. 80304. PROHIBITION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF**
13 **THE NORTH DAKOTA RESOURCE MANAGE-**
14 **MENT PLAN.**

15 The Secretary of the Interior shall not implement, ad-
16 minister, or enforce the Record of Decision and Approved
17 Resource Management Plan referred to in the notice of
18 availability titled “Record of Decision and Approved Re-
19 source Management Plan for the North Dakota Resource
20 Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement,
21 North Dakota” published by the Bureau of Land Manage-
22 ment on January 15, 2025 (90 Fed. Reg. 3915).

1 **SEC. 80305. PROHIBITION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF**
2 **THE COLORADO RIVER VALLEY FIELD OF-**
3 **FICE AND GRAND JUNCTION FIELD OFFICE**
4 **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLANS.**

5 The Secretary of the Interior shall not implement, ad-
6 minister, or enforce the Records of Decision and Approved
7 Resource Management Plans referred to in the notice of
8 availability titled “Availability of the Records of Decision
9 and Approved Resource Management Plans for the Grand
10 Junction Field Office and the Colorado River Valley Field
11 Office, Colorado” published by the Bureau of Land Man-
12 agement on October 22, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 84385).

13 **SEC. 80306. RESCISSION OF FOREST SERVICE FUNDS.**

14 There is hereby rescinded the unobligated balances
15 of amounts made available by section 23001(a)(4) of Pub-
16 lic Law 117–169.

17 **SEC. 80307. RESCISSION OF NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AND**
18 **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT FUNDS.**

19 There is hereby rescinded the unobligated balances
20 of amounts made available by section 50221 of Public Law
21 117–169.

22 **SEC. 80308. RESCISSION OF BUREAU OF LAND MANAGE-**
23 **MENT AND NATIONAL PARK SERVICE FUNDS.**

24 There is hereby rescinded the unobligated balances
25 of amounts made available by section 50222 of Public Law
26 117–169.

1 **SEC. 80309. RESCISSION OF NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**
2 **FUNDS.**

3 There is hereby rescinded the unobligated balances
4 of amounts made available by section 50223 of Public Law
5 117–169.

6 **SEC. 80310. CELEBRATING AMERICA'S 250TH ANNIVERSARY.**

7 In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is
8 appropriated to the Secretary of the Interior for fiscal year
9 2025, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise ap-
10 propriated, to remain available through fiscal year 2028—

11 (1) \$150,000,000 for events, celebrations, and
12 activities related to the observance and commemora-
13 tion of the 250th anniversary of the founding of the
14 United States; and

15 (2) \$40,000,000 to carry out Executive Order
16 13934 of July 3, 2020 (85 Fed. Reg. 41165), Exec-
17 utive Order 13978 of January 18, 2021 (86 Fed.
18 Reg. 6809), and Executive Order 14189 of January
19 29, 2025 (90 Fed. Reg. 8849) to establish and
20 maintain a statuary park to be known as the Na-
21 tional Garden of American Heroes.

22 **SEC. 80311. LONG-TERM CONTRACTS FOR THE FOREST**
23 **SERVICE.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—For each of fiscal years 2025
25 through 2034, the Chief of the Forest Service (in this sec-
26 tion referred to as the “Chief”) shall enter into not less

1 than one long-term contract or agreement with private
2 persons or other public or private entities under section
3 14(a) of the National Forest Management Act (16 U.S.C.
4 472a(a)) with respect to covered National Forest System
5 lands in each region of the Forest Service that contains
6 covered National Forest System lands.

7 (b) TERMS.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
9 graphs (2) and (3), the Chief shall enter into con-
10 tracts or agreements under subsection (a) in accord-
11 ance with section 3903 of title 41, United States
12 Code, and section 14 of the National Forest Man-
13 agement Act (16 U.S.C. 472a).

14 (2) CONTRACT LENGTH.—The period of a con-
15 tract or agreement under subsection (a) shall be for
16 at least 20 years, with options for extensions and re-
17 newals as determined by the Chief.

18 (3) CANCELLATION CEILINGS.—A contract or
19 agreement entered into under subsection (a) shall in-
20 clude provisions for a cancellation ceiling consistent
21 with section 604(d) of the Healthy Forests Restora-
22 tion Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6591c(d)).

23 (c) RECEIPTS.—Any monies derived from an agree-
24 ment or contract under this section by the Chief shall be
25 deposited in the general fund of the Treasury.

1 (d) COVERED NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM LANDS
2 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “covered National
3 Forest System lands” means the proclaimed National For-
4 est System lands reserved or withdrawn from the public
5 domain of the United States.

6 **SEC. 80312. LONG-TERM CONTRACTS FOR THE BUREAU OF**
7 **LAND MANAGEMENT.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—For each of fiscal years 2025
9 through 2034, the Director of the Bureau of Land Man-
10 agement (in this section referred to as the “Director”)
11 shall enter into not less than one long-term contract or
12 agreement with private persons or other public or private
13 entities under section 1 of the Materials Act of 1947 (30
14 U.S.C. 601) with respect to vegetative materials on cov-
15 ered public lands.

16 (b) TERMS.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
18 graphs (2) and (3), the Director shall enter into con-
19 tracts or agreements under subsection (a) in accord-
20 ance with section 3903 of title 41, United States
21 Code, and section 2(a) of the Materials Act of 1947
22 (30 U.S.C. 602(a)).

23 (2) CONTRACT LENGTH.—The period of a con-
24 tract or agreement under subsection (a) shall be for

1 at least 20 years, with options for extensions and re-
2 newals as determined by the Director.

3 (3) CANCELLATION CEILINGS.—A contract or
4 agreement entered into under subsection (a) shall in-
5 clude provisions for a cancellation ceiling consistent
6 with section 604(d) of the Healthy Forests Restora-
7 tion Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6591c(d)).

8 (c) RECEIPTS.—Any monies derived from an agree-
9 ment or contract under this section by the Director shall
10 be deposited in the general fund of the Treasury.

11 (d) COVERED PUBLIC LANDS DEFINED.—The term
12 “covered public lands” has the meaning given the term
13 “public lands” in section 103 of the Federal Land Policy
14 and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702), except
15 that the term includes Coos Bay Wagon Road Grant lands
16 and Oregon and California Railroad Grant lands.

17 **SEC. 80313. TIMBER PRODUCTION FOR THE FOREST SERV-**
18 **ICE.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
20 date of enactment of this title, the Secretary of Agri-
21 culture, acting through the Chief of the Forest Service or
22 their designee, shall direct timber harvest on covered Na-
23 tional Forest System lands in amounts that—

1 (1) in total, equal or exceed the volume that is
2 25 percent higher than the total volume harvested
3 on such lands during fiscal year 2024; and

4 (2) are in accordance with the applicable forest
5 plan, including the allowable sale quantity or prob-
6 able sale quantity, as applicable, of timber applicable
7 to such lands on the date of enactment of this title.

8 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 (1) COVERED NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM
10 LANDS.—

11 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
12 subparagraph (B), the term “covered National
13 Forest System lands” means the proclaimed
14 National Forest System lands reserved or with-
15 drawn from the public domain of the United
16 States.

17 (B) EXCLUSIONS.—The term “covered Na-
18 tional Forest System lands” does not include
19 lands—

20 (i) that are included in the National
21 Wilderness Preservation System;

22 (ii) that are located within a national
23 or State-specific inventoried roadless area
24 established by the Secretary of Agriculture
25 through regulation, unless—

1 (I) the forest management activ-
2 ity to be carried out under such au-
3 thority is consistent with the forest
4 plan applicable to the area; or

5 (II) the activity is allowed under
6 the applicable roadless rule governing
7 such lands, including—

8 (aa) the Idaho roadless rule
9 under subpart C of part 294 of
10 title 36, Code of Federal Regula-
11 tions;

12 (bb) the Colorado roadless
13 rule under subpart D of part 294
14 of title 36, Code of Federal Reg-
15 ulations; or

16 (cc) any other roadless rule
17 developed after the date of the
18 enactment of this section by the
19 Secretary with respect to a spe-
20 cific State; or

21 (iii) on which timber harvesting for
22 any purpose is prohibited by Federal stat-
23 ute.

24 (2) FOREST PLAN.—The term “forest plan”
25 means a land and resource management plan pre-

1 pared by the Forest Service for a unit of the Na-
2 tional Forest System pursuant to section 6 of the
3 Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Plan-
4 ning Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604).

5 **SEC. 80314. TIMBER PRODUCTION FOR THE BUREAU OF**
6 **LAND MANAGEMENT.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
8 date of enactment of this title, the Secretary of the Inte-
9 rior, acting through the Director of the Bureau of Land
10 Management or their designee, shall direct timber harvest
11 on covered public lands in amounts that—

12 (1) in total, equal or exceed the volume that is
13 25 percent higher than the total volume harvested
14 on such lands during fiscal year 2024; and

15 (2) are in accordance with the applicable forest
16 plan.

17 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 (1) COVERED PUBLIC LANDS.—

19 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
20 subparagraph (B), the term “covered public
21 lands” has the meaning given the term “public
22 lands” in section 103 of the Federal Land Pol-
23 icy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C.
24 1702), except that the term includes Coos Bay

1 Wagon Road Grant lands and Oregon and Cali-
2 fornia Railroad Grant lands.

3 (B) EXCLUSIONS.—The term “covered
4 public lands” does not include lands—

5 (i) that are included in the National
6 Wilderness Preservation System; or

7 (ii) on which timber harvesting for
8 any purpose is prohibited by Federal stat-
9 ute.

10 (2) FOREST PLAN.—The term “forest plan”
11 means a land use plan prepared by the Bureau of
12 Land Management for public lands pursuant to sec-
13 tion 202 of the Federal Land Policy and Manage-
14 ment Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712).

