

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2881

To amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the outer Continental Shelf in the Mid-Atlantic, South Atlantic, North Atlantic, and Straits of Florida planning areas.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 10, 2025

Mr. PALLONE (for himself, Mr. HUFFMAN, Ms. TOKUDA, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. SHERRILL, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. PANNETTA, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. CASE, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KEAN, Mrs. MCIVER, Mr. NADLER, Ms. ROSS, Ms. POU, and Mr. MAGAZINER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Clean Ocean And Safe
3 Tourism Anti-Drilling Act of 2025” or the “COAST Anti-
4 Drilling Act of 2025”.

5 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN CER-**
6 **TAIN AREAS OF OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF.**

7 Section 8 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act
8 (43 U.S.C. 1337) is amended by adding at the end the
9 following:

10 “(q) PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN
11 CERTAIN AREAS OF OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF.—Not-
12 withstanding any other provision of this section or any
13 other law, the Secretary shall not issue a lease or any
14 other authorization for the exploration, development, or
15 production of oil, natural gas, or any other mineral in the
16 following planning areas, as each such planning area is
17 depicted in the 2024–2029 National Outer Continental
18 Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Proposed Final Program ref-
19 erenced in the notice of availability published by the Bu-
20 reau of Ocean Energy Management titled ‘Notice of Avail-
21 ability of the 2024–2029 National Outer Continental Shelf
22 Oil and Gas Leasing Proposed Final Program and Final
23 Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement’ (88 Fed.
24 Reg. 67798; published October 2, 2023):

25 “(1) The North Atlantic planning area.

26 “(2) The Mid-Atlantic planning area.

- 1 “(3) The South Atlantic planning area.
- 2 “(4) The Straits of Florida planning area.”.

