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H. R. 455

To permanently prohibit oil and gas leasing off the coast of the State
of California, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 25, 2021

Mr. CARBAJAL (for himself, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. BERA, Mr. LEVIN of California, Ms. BROWNLEY, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. CHU, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mrs. TORRES of California, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. TAKANO, and Mr. AGUILAR) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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of the State of California, and for other purposes.

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “California Clean Coast
5 Act of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN AREAS**
2 **OF THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF LO-**
3 **CATED OFF THE COAST OF CALIFORNIA.**

4 Section 8 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act
5 (43 U.S.C. 1337) is amended by adding at the end the
6 following:

7 “(q) PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN
8 AREAS OF THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF LOCATED
9 OFF THE COAST OF CALIFORNIA.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
11 provision of this Act or any other law and except as
12 provided in paragraph (2), beginning on the date of
13 enactment of this subsection, the conduct of oil and
14 gas preleasing, leasing, and related activities is pro-
15 hibited in areas of the outer Continental Shelf lo-
16 cated off the coast of the State of California.

17 “(2) EFFECT.—Nothing in this subsection af-
18 fects any rights under leases issued under this Act
19 before the date of enactment of this subsection.”.

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