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H. R. 440

To impose a 10-year moratorium on oil and gas leasing in certain areas off the coast of New Jersey.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 5, 1993

Mr. ZIMMER (for himself, Mr. GALLO, Mr. ANDREWS of New Jersey, Mrs. ROUKEMA, and Mr. SAXTON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

To impose a 10-year moratorium on oil and gas leasing in certain areas off the coast of New Jersey.

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. MORATORIUM ON OIL AND GAS LEASING.**

4 During the period described in section 2, the Sec-
5 retary of the Interior may not—

6 (1) prepare for, or conduct, any preleasing or
7 leasing activity (including, but not limited to, calls
8 for information, tract selection, notices of sale, re-
9 ceipt of bids, and award of leases);

1 (2) approve any plan of exploration pursuant to
2 section 11 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act
3 (43 U.S.C. 1340); or

4 (3) approve any development or production plan
5 pursuant to section 25 of the Outer Continental
6 Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1351),
7 for any land within protraction diagram NK 18-12, NJ
8 18-2, NJ 18-3, NJ 18-5, NJ 18-6, or NJ 19-1, which
9 is within “sale 121-area identification” as depicted on the
10 map entitled “Mid-Atlantic Planning Area” and num-
11 bered MMS-11.

12 **SEC. 2. MORATORIUM PERIOD.**

13 The period referred to in section 1 is the 10-year pe-
14 riod which begins on the date of enactment of this Act.

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