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H. R. 3249

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of the United States of America AT THE SECOND SESSION

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An Act To authorize appropriations for a mining institute or institutes to develop domestic

technological capabilities for the recovery of minerals from the Nation’s seabed, and for other purposes. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, SECTION 1. SEABED MINERALS.
(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 2(a) of the Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute Act of 1984 (30 U.S.C. 1222(a)) is amended by adding the following at the end

thereof:
‘‘There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary not more
than $1,800,000 for each of the fiscal years after fiscal year 1996

to be made available by the Secretary to an institute or institutes experienced in investigating the continental shelf regions of the United States, the deep seabed and near shore environments of
islands, and the Arctic and cold water regions as a source for nonfuel minerals. Such funds are to be used by the institute or

institutes to assist in developing domestic technological capabilities
required for the location of, and the efficient and environmentally

sound recovery of, minerals (other than oil and gas) from the Nation’s shallow and deep seabed.’’. (b) SHORT TITLE.—Section 11 of such Act (30 U.S.C. 1201 note)

is amended to read as follows:

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‘‘SEC. 11. SHORT TITLE.

‘‘This Act may be cited as the ‘Mining and Mineral Resources
Institutes Act’.’’.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate.