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H. R. 4638

To increase domestic supplies of natural gas through an accelerated program of development and deployment of new technologies.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 18, 2005

Mr. HALL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Science, and in addition to the Committee on Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To increase domestic supplies of natural gas through an accelerated program of development and deployment of new technologies.

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 “Domestic Natural Gas
5 Supply Act of 2006”.

1 **SEC. 2. PRODUCTION GOAL.**

2 The goal of this Act to achieve a cumulative increase
3 in domestic production of natural gas of 8.5 trillion cubic
4 feet by 2015.

5 **SEC. 3. ACCELERATED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT AND**
6 **DEPLOYMENT PROGRAM.**

7 The Secretary of Energy shall incorporate the pro-
8 duction goal specified in section 2 in the annual plan pre-
9 pared in accordance with section 999B(e) of the Energy
10 Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16372(e)).

11 **SEC. 4. FINANCING.**

12 Section 999H(a) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005
13 (42 U.S.C. 16378(a)) is amended—

- 14 (1) by inserting “excess” after “from any”;
- 15 (2) by striking “\$50,000,000” and inserting
16 “all excess Federal royalties up to \$200,000,000”;
17 and
- 18 (3) by inserting at the end of subsection (a) the
19 following: “For purposes of this subsection, excess
20 Federal royalties are the amount calculated on the
21 basis of the difference between the prevailing market
22 prices upon which the royalty payment was made
23 and 110 percent of the assumed market prices for
24 that year contained in the economic assumptions un-
25 derlying H. Con. Res. 95 of the 109th Congress, as

1 updated in the Mid-year Update Report of the Con-
2 gressional Budget Office.”.

3 **SEC. 5. REPORT.**

4 Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment
5 of this Act, the Secretary of Energy shall submit a report
6 to Congress on the accomplishments made under this Act,
7 including projections of the increased domestic supply po-
8 tential resulting from new technologies facilitated by this
9 Act, and estimates of savings to consumers from increased
10 domestic supplies of natural gas.

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