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H.R. 1229 - Putting the Gulf of Mexico Back to Work Act H.R. 1230 - Restarting American Offshore Leasing Now Act

- 1. Structured rule for H.R. 1229.
- 2. Provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources.
- 3. Waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.
- 4. Provides that the amendment recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources shall be considered as adopted.
- 5. Waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended.
- 6. Makes in order only those amendments to H.R. 1229 printed in Part A of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. Provides that each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole.
- 7. Waives all points of order against the amendments printed in Part A of the report.
- 8. Provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.
- 9. Structured rule for H.R. 1230.
- 10. Provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources.
- 11. Waives all points of order against consideration of the bill.
- 12. Waives all points of order against provisions in the bill.
- 13. Makes in order only those amendments to H.R. 1230 printed in Part B of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. Provides that each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in

the House or in the Committee of the Whole.

- 14. Waives all points of order against the amendments printed in Part B of the report.
- 15. Provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.
- 16. Directs the Clerk to, in the engrossment of H.R. 1229, add the text of H.R. 1230 as passed by the House as new matter at the end of H.R. 1229.

RESOLUTION

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may. pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1229) to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to facilitate the safe and timely production of American energy resources from the Gulf of Mexico. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The amendment recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of further amendment under the five-minute rule and shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. No further amendment to the bill, as amended, shall be in order except those printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. Each further amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against such further amendments are waived. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill, as amended, to the House with such further amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Sec. 2. At any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1230) to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The bill shall be considered as

read. All points of order against provisions in the bill are waived. No amendment to the bill shall be in order except those printed in part B of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against such amendments are waived. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Sec. 3. In the engrossment of H.R. 1229, the Clerk shall---

- (1) add the text of H.R. 1230, as passed by the House, as new matter at the end of H.R. 1229;
- (2) conform the title of H.R. 1229 to reflect the addition of H.R. 1230, as passed by the House, to the engrossment;
- (3) assign appropriate designations to provisions within the engrossment; and
- (4) conform cross-references and provisions for short titles within the engrossment.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS IN PART A PROPOSED TO BE MADE IN ORDER

(summaries derived from information provided by sponsors)

Sponsor	# Description	Debate Time
1. Polis (CO)	#22 Would require safety review of permits to take into consideration all applicable safety, environmental and fisheries laws.	(10 minutes)
2. Garamendi, John	#14 Would implement the Commission's recommendation by requiring that in reviewing a drilling permit, the Secretary consult with an independent drilling safety organization not affiliated with the oil industry trade association.	(10 minutes)
3. Markey, Edward (MA)	#2 REVISED Would implement basic offshore drilling safety reforms recommended by the independent BP spill commission. The Commission found that the root causes of the BP spill were "systematic" and could have been prevented. The Markey amendment would set specific new minimum standards for blow-out preventers, cementing and well design.	(10 minutes)
4. Hanabusa (HI)	#10 Would state that the Secretary shall not issue an offshore drilling permit without certifying that the applicant has calculated a worst-case discharge scenario for the proposed drilling operations; and has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Secretary that the applicant possesses the capability and technology to respond immediately and effectively to such worst-case discharge scenario.	(10 minutes)
5. Jackson Lee (TX)	#3 Would ensure a reasonable period for review of applications and eliminate the language that could result in the automatic approval of applications.	(10 minutes)
6. Holt (NJ)	#9 Would strike a provision in the underlying bill that would "deem" drilling permits approved after 60 days even if the necessary safety and environmental reviews have not be completed. Would leave in place a timeline for approving drilling permits, but prevents permits from being "deemed" approved	(10 minutes)

before the safety review has been completed.

7. Polis (CO)	#23 Would lift timeline requirements if the agency lacks an adequate budget or lacks staff expertise to properly review permits.	(10 minutes)
8. Hastings, Alcee (FL)	#12 Would require a detailed description of the extent to which and by when any oil found on the leased property will decrease the price of crude oil and at the pump for hardworking Americans.	(10 minutes)
9. Deutch (FL)	#4 Would strike section 202 of H.R. 1229, so that states outside of the 5th Circuit can have their courts hear civil actions relating to energy projects in the Gulf of Mexico.	(10 minutes)
10. Polis (CO)	#21 Would amend bill to emphasize quality of court decisions instead of speed of court decisions.	(10 minutes)
11. Hastings, Alcee (FL)	#13 Would strike Section 207, the limitation on attorneys' fees.	(10 minutes)

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS IN PART B PROPOSED TO BE MADE IN ORDER

(summaries derived from information provided by sponsors)

Sponsor	# Description	Debate Time
1. Holt (NJ)	#7 Would remove provisions in the bill that would "deem" the safety and environmental review done in 2007, prior to the BP spill, sufficient for new offshore oil and gas leasing. The amendment would allow lease sales to go forward, but require new environmental and safety reviews, following the BP spill.	(10 minutes)
2. Connolly (VA), Moran, James (VA), Sarbanes (MD)	#15 LATE Would ensure that Lease Sale 220 does not interfere with Naval or other DOD operations.	(10 minutes)