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and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. MOORE of Utah introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

A BILL

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energy production, 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 “Protecting American
5 Energy Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. ANNUAL ENERGY ANALYSES; ESTIMATES; REPORT.**

7 (a) ANNUAL ANALYSES; ESTIMATES.—The Secretary
8 of the Interior, in consultation with the Secretary of De-

1 fense, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of En-
2 ergy, and the Secretary of State, shall—

3 (1) conduct an annual qualitative and quan-
4 titative analysis of—

5 (A) the energy production on Federal
6 lands and interests in lands, on State lands,
7 and on private lands during the 5 calendar
8 years immediately prior to the year in which the
9 analysis is conducted;

10 (B) the energy consumption by the United
11 States during the 5 calendar years immediately
12 prior to the year in which the analysis is con-
13 ducted; and

14 (2) complete an annual estimate of—

15 (A) the probable energy production on
16 Federal lands and interests in lands, on State
17 lands, and on private lands during the calendar
18 year immediately after to the year in which the
19 analysis required under paragraphs (1) is con-
20 ducted based on—

21 (i) current events;

22 (ii) the analysis required under para-
23 graph (1);

24 (iii) data and analysis published by
25 the Energy Information Administration re-

1 garding domestic oil and gas production
2 and consumption;

3 (iv) data and analysis published by
4 the Office of Natural Resources Revenue
5 regarding domestic oil and gas production
6 and consumption; and

7 (v) other data considered relevant by
8 such Secretaries; and

9 (B) the probable energy consumption by
10 the United States during the calendar year im-
11 mediately after to the year in which the anal-
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23 regarding domestic oil and gas production
24 and consumption; and

1 (v) other data considered relevant by
2 such Secretaries.

3 (b) ANNUAL REPORT.—The Secretary of the Interior
4 shall—

5 (1) complete an annual report for the calendar
6 year immediately before the report is completed that
7 includes—

8 (A) the analyses and estimates completed
9 under subsection (a);

10 (B) the data used to complete the analyses
11 and estimates under subsection (a); and

12 (C) recommendations to secure and in-
13 crease United States energy independence; and

14 (2) not later than 6 months after the date of
15 the enactment of this Act and not later than Sep-
16 tember 30 of each year thereafter, transmit the re-
17 port required under paragraph (1) to—

18 (A) the Committee on Natural Resources
19 of the House of Representatives; and

20 (B) the Committee on Energy and Natural
21 Resources of the Senate.

22 **SEC. 3. WITHDRAWAL OF FEDERAL LAND.**

23 (a) RESOURCE ASSESSMENTS REQUIRED.—Subject
24 to valid, existing rights, Federal lands and interests in
25 lands may not be withdrawn from entry, appropriation,

1 or disposal under the public land laws, location, entry or
2 patent under the mining laws, or operation of the mineral
3 leasing, mineral materials, or geothermal leasing laws un-
4 less—

5 (1) a quantitative and qualitative geophysical
6 and geological mineral resource assessment of the
7 Federal lands and interests in lands proposed to be
8 withdrawn has been—

9 (A) completed by the Director of the
10 United States Geological Survey during the 10-
11 year period ending immediately before the date
12 of the withdrawal; or

13 (B) certified as current by the Director of
14 the United States Geological Survey; and

15 (2) the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation
16 with the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of
17 Commerce, the Secretary of Energy, and the Sec-
18 retary of State, have conducted a quantitative and
19 qualitative geophysical and geological resource as-
20 sessment to determine that the withdrawal is not
21 projected to have a negative impact on domestic en-
22 ergy independence.

23 (b) REQUIREMENT FOR OIL AND GAS LEASING
24 WITHDRAWAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of
25 law, the Secretary of the Interior may not withdraw Fed-

1 eral land or interests in land from oil and gas leasing un-
2 less specifically authorized by a Federal statute if—

3 (1) the proposed withdrawal is projected to re-
4 duce the ability of the United States to meet domes-
5 tic energy needs with domestic energy production as
6 determined by the resource assessments made pursu-
7 ant to this section; or

8 (2) a parcel included in the proposed with-
9 drawal has an exterior boundary that is less than 50
10 miles from the exterior boundary of another parcel
11 that was withdrawn from oil and gas leasing during
12 the 1-year period before the date of the proposed
13 withdrawal.