

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2865

To prohibit oil and gas leasing on the outer Continental Shelf off the coast
of New England.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 10, 2025

Mr. MAGAZINER (for himself, Mr. GOLDEN of Maine, Mr. KEATING, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. MOULTON, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Mr. HIMES, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. NEAL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

To prohibit oil and gas leasing on the outer Continental
Shelf off the coast of New England.

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 “New England Coastal
5 Protection Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING ON OUTER**
2 **CONTINENTAL SHELF OFF COAST OF NEW**
3 **ENGLAND.**

4 Section 8 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act
5 (43 U.S.C. 1337) is amended by adding at the end the
6 following:

7 “(q) PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN
8 CERTAIN AREAS OF OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF.—Not-
9 withstanding any other provision of this section or any
10 other law, the Secretary may not issue a lease for the ex-
11 ploration, development, or production of oil or natural gas
12 in any area of the outer Continental Shelf off the coast
13 of the State of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts,
14 Rhode Island, or Connecticut.”.

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