105TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2555

To prohibit the Department of the Interior from expending any funds for a mid-Atlantic coast offshore oil and gas lease sale.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 25, 1997

Mr. Pallone (for himself, Mr. Jones, Mr. Hinchey, Mr. Smith of New Jersey, Mr. Payne, Mr. Nadler, Mr. Gejdenson, and Ms. Delauro) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

A BILL

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- 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. PROHIBITION ON EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS
- 4 FOR MID-ATLANTIC OIL AND GAS LEASE
- 5 SALE.
- 6 The Secretary of the Interior shall not expend any
- 7 funds for the preparation of, or conduct of, preleasing and
- 8 leasing activities (including calls for information, tract se-
- 9 lection, notices of sale, receipt of bids, and award of

- 1 leases) with respect to an oil and gas lease sale on any
- 2 lands of the outer Continental Shelf between the seaward
- 3 boundary between the States of Connecticut and Rhode
- 4 Island and the seaward boundary between the States of
- 5 North Carolina and South Carolina.

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