

109TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 3251

To permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the outer  
Continental Shelf off the State of Florida, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 12, 2005

Ms. HARRIS (for herself, Mr. MACK, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. KELLER, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. SHAW, Mr. PUTNAM, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. FEENEY, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, and Mr. MEEK of Florida) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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## 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Florida Coastline Pro-  
5       tection Act of 2005”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN CERTAIN AREAS OF THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF.**

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       **“(p) PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN CERTAIN AREAS OF THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF.—**

9 Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or any  
10 other law, the Secretary of the Interior shall not issue a  
11 lease for the exploration, development, or production of  
12 oil, natural gas, or any other mineral in—

13           “(1) the eastern Gulf of Mexico planning area;

14           “(2) the Straits of Florida planning area; or

15           “(3) the South Atlantic planning area, extending from the Straits of Florida planning area to the  
16           border between the States of Florida and Georgia.”.

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