## H. R. 375

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 26, 2005

Mrs. Jo Ann Davis of Virginia introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

## 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 "National Naval Force
- 5 Structure Policy Act".

## 1 SEC. 2. NATIONAL NAVAL FORCE STRUCTURE POLICY.

- 2 It is the policy of the United States to rebuild as soon
- 3 as possible the size of the fleet of the United States Navy
- 4 to no fewer than 375 vessels in active service, to include
- 5 15 aircraft carrier battle groups and 15 amphibious ready
- 6 groups, in order to ensure peace through strength for the
- 7 United States throughout the 21st century.

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