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To provide for the establishment of a working group to identify and advance the development and use of alternative sources for motor vehicle fuels.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 29, 2005

Mr. PRICE of Georgia introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 "Finding the Ultimate
5 Energy Lifeline Act of 2005" or the "FUEL Act of
6 2005".

7 SEC. 2. WORKING GROUP.

8 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The President shall select not
9 less than 12 and not more than 25 individuals to serve
10 on a working group to identify for the President strategies

and methods to reduce consumption of foreign oil to less
 than 25 percent of total United States motor vehicle fuel
 consumption not later than 2015. The working group
 shall—

5 (1) identify alternative sources for motor vehicle6 fuels;

7 (2) recommend appropriate Federal actions for
8 the development and use of such alternative sources;
9 (3) assess the effectiveness of the Federal ac10 tions carried out as described in paragraph (2); and
11 (4) provide appropriate coordination of Federal
12 efforts.

13 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—Individuals selected under sub-14 section (a) shall be representative of domestic industry, 15 academia, professional societies, government agencies, Federal laboratories, previous advisory panels, and finan-16 17 cial, environmental, and other appropriate organizations. 18 (c) TERMS.—The term of a member of the working 19 group shall be not more than 3 years. The President shall 20appoint members in a manner that allows the terms of 21 the members serving at any time to expire at intervals so 22 as to ensure continuity in the functioning of the working 23 group. A member of the working group whose term is ex-24 piring may be reappointed.

(d) CHAIRPERSON.—The working group shall have a
 chairperson, who shall be appointed by the President.

3 (e) SUPPORT.—The Secretary of Energy shall pro4 vide resources necessary for the working group to carry
5 out its responsibilities.

6 (f) REPORTS.—Not later than 6 months after the
7 working group is appointed under subsection (a), and at
8 least every 6 months thereafter, the working group shall
9 transmit to the Congress a report on its activities.

10 (g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There 11 are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of En-12 ergy such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal 13 years 2007 through 2015, for purposes of this section.

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