111TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 5231

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 6, 2010

Mr. Smith of Texas (for himself and Mr. Schiff) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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,

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- 2 This Act may be cited as the "Drug Trafficking Safe
- 3 Harbor Elimination Act of 2010".
- 4 SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES
- 5 ACT TO CLARIFY CONSPIRACIES CONDUCTED
- 6 WITHIN THE UNITED STATES MAY BE CRIMI-
- 7 NALLY PROSECUTED IN THE UNITED STATES.
- 8 Section 406 of the Controlled Substances Act (21
- 9 U.S.C. 846) is amended by—
- 10 (1) inserting "(a)" before "Any"; and
- 11 (2) inserting at the end the following:
- 12 "(b) Whoever, within the United States, conspires
- 13 with one or more persons, or aids or abets one or more
- 14 persons, regardless of where such other persons are lo-
- 15 cated, to commit at any place outside the United States
- 16 an act that would constitute a violation of this title if com-
- 17 mitted within the United States, shall be subject to the
- 18 same penalties that would apply to such act if it were to
- 19 occur within the United States.".

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