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# H. R. 4024

To suspend approval of liquefied natural gas export terminals, and for other purposes.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

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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 “North America Nat-  
5       ural Gas Security and Consumer Protection Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. SUSPENSION OF APPROVAL OF LNG EXPORT TERMI-**  
7       **NALS.**

8       (a) SUSPENSION.—Before January 1, 2025, the Fed-  
9       eral Energy Regulatory Commission may not approve any

1 application under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (15  
2 U.S.C. 717b)—

3 (1) for the siting, construction, expansion, or  
4 operation of an LNG terminal that will be used to  
5 receive, unload, load, store, transport, gasify, liquefy,  
6 or process natural gas to be exported to a foreign  
7 country from the United States; or

8 (2) to amend an existing authorization of the  
9 Commission in order to modify an existing author-  
10 ized facility to an LNG terminal that will be used  
11 to receive, unload, load, store, transport, gasify, liq-  
12 uefy, or process natural gas to be exported to a for-  
13 eign country from the United States.

14 (b) EXEMPTIONS.—Subsection (a) shall not a apply  
15 with respect to any application described in subsection (a)  
16 if the natural gas that would be exported as a result of  
17 the approval of such application is exported solely to meet  
18 a requirement imposed pursuant to section 203 of the  
19 International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50  
20 U.S.C. 1702), section 5(b) of the Trading with the Enemy  
21 Act (50 U.S.C. App. 5(b)), or part B of title II of the  
22 Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6271–  
23 6276).

24 (c) DEFINITION OF LNG TERMINAL.—In this Act,  
25 the term “LNG terminal” has the meaning given such

1 term in section 2(11) of the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C.  
2 717a(11)).

