

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2471

To amend the Department of Energy Organization Act to transfer regulatory authority over exports of natural gas from the Secretary of Energy to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 20, 2013

Mr. POE of Texas (for himself and Mr. HALL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Expedite Our Economy
5 Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. JURISDICTION OF THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGU-**
2 **LATORY COMMISSION.**

3 (a) TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS.—Section 402(a)(1) of
4 the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C.
5 7172(a)(1)) is amended—

6 (1) in subparagraph (E), by striking “; and”
7 and inserting a semicolon;

8 (2) in subparagraph (F), by striking the period
9 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

10 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
11 paragraph:

12 “(G) the regulation of the exportation of nat-
13 ural gas under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act.”.

14 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 402(f) of
15 the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C.
16 7172(f)) is amended by striking “the exports or imports
17 of natural gas or electricity” and inserting “the imports
18 of natural gas, or the exports or imports of electricity,”.

19 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON GLOBAL EXPORTS OF NATURAL GAS**
20 **PRODUCTION.**

21 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-
22 ment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to
23 Congress a report on the following:

24 (1) The economic policies of foreign countries
25 with natural gas resources and reserves as such poli-
26 cies relate to the development and production of

1 their natural gas resources and reserves and the ex-
2 tent and status of their natural gas resources and
3 reserves.

4 (2) The potential to export the natural gas pro-
5 duction of such foreign countries to the global mar-
6 ket and the impact of the export of such natural gas
7 production on the global market.

8 (3) A description of actions taken by the United
9 States Government to foster natural gas exports to
10 foreign countries that may have an interest in im-
11 porting natural gas from the United States.

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