

114TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 3357

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 29, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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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 “Providing Opportunity  
5       with Energy Revenues in Counties Act” or the “POWER  
6       Counties Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PAYMENT TO COUNTIES OF PORTION OF REVENUES**  
2 **RECEIVED BY THE UNITED STATES UNDER**  
3 **FEDERAL OIL AND GAS LEASES.**

4 Section 35(a) of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C.  
5 191(a)) is amended—

6 (1) by striking “40 per centum thereof” and in-  
7 serting “40 per centum thereof in the case of rentals  
8 of public lands under the Geothermal Steam Act of  
9 1970, and 20 per centum thereof in the case of all  
10 other such money,”; and

11 (2) by inserting after “June 17, 1902” the fol-  
12 lowing: “, 20 per centum thereof, other than rentals  
13 of public lands under the Geothermal Steam Act of  
14 1970, shall be paid to the county within the bound-  
15 aries of which the leased lands or deposits are or  
16 were located and used by such county for its schools  
17 and roads”.

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