

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2316

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 3, 2017

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources

AN ACT

To amend the Mineral Leasing Act and the Energy Policy
Act of 1992 to repeal provisions relating only to the
Allegheny National Forest.

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 “Cooperative Manage-
3 ment of Mineral Rights Act of 2017”.

4 **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF PROVISIONS REGARDING THE ALLE-**
5 **GHENY NATIONAL FOREST.**

6 (a) REPEAL.—Subsection (o) of section 17 of the
7 Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 226) and section 2508
8 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Public Law 102–486;
9 106 Stat. 3108) are repealed.

10 (b) NOTICE REQUIREMENT NOT AFFECTED.—Noth-
11 ing in this Act shall be construed or interpreted—

12 (1) to limit, modify, or otherwise affect the ex-
13 isting requirement to provide in writing 60-day ad-
14 vance notice of specific activities in accordance with
15 the order dated December 16, 1980, in the case
16 United States of America v. Minard Run Oil Com-
17 pany, 1980 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 9570 (W.D. Pa., Dec.
18 16, 1980); or

19 (2) to limit existing authority of the Forest
20 Service under provisions of law codified in section
21 551 of title 16, United States Code.

22 (c) PERMITTING AUTHORITY NOT AFFECTED.—
23 Nothing in this Act shall be construed or interpreted to
24 alter, repeal, or otherwise limit the existing authority of

- 1 the Forest Service to permit the harvest or sale of timber
- 2 derived from the Allegheny National Forest.

Passed the House of Representatives October 2,
2017.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk.