

116TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 5499

To provide a definition of reasonable rate for noncontiguous domestic ocean trade, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 19, 2019

Mr. CASE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 “Noncontiguous Ship-
5 ping Reasonable Rate Act of 2019”.

6 **SEC. 2. NONCONTIGUOUS DOMESTIC OCEAN TRADE.**

7 Section 13701(d) of title 49, United States Code, is
8 amended by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the fol-
9 lowing new paragraph:

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this sec-
2 tion, a rate is reasonable if such rate is within 10
3 percent of a rate set by a comparable international
4 ocean rate index recognized by the Federal Maritime
5 Commission.”.

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