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SPUR Act, RESTART Act Give the Gulf of Mexico Legislative Certainty

Washington, D.C. – National Ocean Industries Association (NOIA) President Erik Milito issued the following statement after Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Ranking Member John Barrasso (R-WY) introduced the <u>Spur Permitting of Underdeveloped Resources (SPUR) Act</u> and Senate Environment & Public Works Committee Ranking Member Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV) introduced the <u>Revitalizing the Economy by Simplifying Timelines and Assuring Regulatory Transparency (RESTART) Act</u>:

"NOIA thanks Senators Barrasso and Capito for pursuing robust legislative certainty for American offshore energy production. The U.S. Gulf of Mexico is an enduring source of affordable, reliable, and environmentally responsible energy. These bills take critical steps to codify an annual minimum of two Gulf lease sales and tighten key permitting timelines, and would be a significant step toward bolstering energy security for Americans at home and for our allies abroad. Supporting Gulf of Mexico energy production and our energy workers throughout the country is in our national interest and should always be a bipartisan priority."

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The National Ocean Industries Association (<u>NOIA</u>) represents and advances a dynamic and growing offshore energy industry, providing solutions that support communities and protect our workers, the public and our environment.









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