

1 **TITLE _____—ENERGY AND**
2 **NATURAL RESOURCES**
3 **Subtitle A—Oil and Gas Leasing**

4 **SEC. ___ 0101. ONSHORE OIL AND GAS LEASING.**

5 (a) REPEAL OF INFLATION REDUCTION ACT PROVI-
6 SIONS.—

7 (1) ONSHORE OIL AND GAS ROYALTY RATES.—
8 Subsection (a) of section 50262 of Public Law 117–
9 169 (136 Stat. 2056) is repealed, and any provision
10 of law amended or repealed by that subsection is re-
11 stored or revived as if that subsection had not been
12 enacted into law.

13 (2) NONCOMPETITIVE LEASING.—Subsection
14 (e) of section 50262 of Public Law 117–169 (136
15 Stat. 2057) is repealed, and any provision of law
16 amended or repealed by that subsection is restored
17 or revived as if that subsection had not been enacted
18 into law.

19 (b) REQUIREMENT TO IMMEDIATELY RESUME ON-
20 SHORE OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Inte-
22 rior shall immediately resume quarterly onshore oil

1 and gas lease sales in compliance with the Mineral
2 Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.).

3 (2) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of the Inte-
4 rior shall ensure—

5 (A) that any oil and gas lease sale required
6 under paragraph (1) is conducted immediately
7 on completion of all applicable scoping, public
8 comment, and environmental analysis require-
9 ments under the Mineral Leasing Act (30
10 U.S.C. 181 et seq.) and the National Environ-
11 mental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et
12 seq.); and

13 (B) that the processes described in sub-
14 paragraph (A) are conducted in a timely man-
15 ner to ensure compliance with subsection (b)(1).

16 (3) LEASE OF OIL AND GAS LANDS.—Section
17 17(b)(1)(A) of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C.
18 226(b)(1)(A)), as amended by subsection (a), is
19 amended by inserting “For purposes of the previous
20 sentence, the term ‘eligible lands’ means all lands
21 that are subject to leasing under this Act and are
22 not excluded from leasing by a statutory prohibition,
23 and the term ‘available’, with respect to eligible
24 lands, means those lands that have been designated
25 as open for leasing under a land use plan developed

1 under section 202 of the Federal Land Policy and
2 Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712) and that
3 have been nominated for leasing through the submis-
4 sion of an expression of interest, are subject to
5 drainage in the absence of leasing, or are otherwise
6 designated as available pursuant to regulations
7 adopted by the Secretary.” after “sales are nec-
8 essary.”.

9 (c) QUARTERLY LEASE SALES.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with the Min-
11 eral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.), each fiscal
12 year, the Secretary of the Interior shall conduct a
13 minimum of 4 oil and gas lease sales in each of the
14 following States:

15 (A) Wyoming.

16 (B) New Mexico.

17 (C) Colorado.

18 (D) Utah.

19 (E) Montana.

20 (F) North Dakota.

21 (G) Oklahoma.

22 (H) Nevada.

23 (I) Alaska.

1 (J) Any other State in which there is land
2 available for oil and gas leasing under the Min-
3 eral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.).

4 (2) REQUIREMENT.—In conducting a lease sale
5 under paragraph (1) in a State described in that
6 paragraph, the Secretary of the Interior—

7 (A) shall offer not less than 50 percent of
8 available parcels nominated for oil and gas de-
9 velopment under the applicable resource man-
10 agement plan in effect for relevant Bureau of
11 Land Management resource management areas
12 within the applicable State; and

13 (B) shall not restrict the parcels offered to
14 1 Bureau of Land Management field office
15 within the applicable State unless all nominated
16 parcels are located within the same Bureau of
17 Land Management field office.

18 (3) REPLACEMENT SALES.—The Secretary of
19 the Interior shall conduct a replacement sale during
20 the same fiscal year if—

21 (A) a lease sale under paragraph (1) is
22 canceled, delayed, or deferred, including for a
23 lack of eligible parcels; or

24 (B) during a lease sale under paragraph
25 (1) the percentage of acreage that does not re-

1 ceive a bid is equal to or greater than 25 per-
2 cent of the acreage offered.

3 (d) MINERAL LEASING ACT REFORMS.—Section 17
4 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 226), as amended
5 by subsection (a), is amended—

6 (1) by striking the section designation and all
7 that follows through the end of subsection (a) and
8 inserting the following:

9 **“SEC. 17. LEASING OF OIL AND GAS PARCELS.**

10 “(a) LEASING AUTHORIZED.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Any parcel of land subject
12 to disposition under this Act that is known or be-
13 lieved to contain oil or gas deposits shall be made
14 available for leasing, subject to paragraph (2), by
15 the Secretary of the Interior, not later than 18
16 months after the date of receipt by the Secretary of
17 an expression of interest in leasing the applicable
18 parcel of land available for disposition under this
19 section, if the Secretary determines that the parcel
20 of land is open to oil or gas leasing under the ap-
21 proved resource management plan applicable to the
22 planning area in which the parcel of land is located
23 that is in effect on the date on which the expression
24 of interest was submitted to the Secretary (referred

1 to in this subsection as the ‘approved resource man-
2 agement plan’).

3 “(2) RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLANS.—

4 “(A) LEASE TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—A
5 lease issued by the Secretary under this section
6 with respect to an applicable parcel of land
7 made available for leasing under paragraph
8 (1)—

9 “(i) shall be subject to the terms and
10 conditions of the approved resource man-
11 agement plan; and

12 “(ii) may not require any stipulations
13 or mitigation requirements not included in
14 the approved resource management plan.

15 “(B) EFFECT OF AMENDMENT.—The initi-
16 ation of an amendment to an approved resource
17 management plan shall not prevent or delay the
18 Secretary from making the applicable parcel of
19 land available for leasing if the other require-
20 ments of this section have been met, as deter-
21 mined by the Secretary.”;

22 (2) in subsection (p), by adding at the end the
23 following:

24 “(4) TERM.—A permit to drill approved under
25 this subsection shall be valid for a single, non-renew-

1 able 4-year period beginning on the date that the
2 permit to drill is approved.”; and

3 (3) by striking subsection (q) and inserting the
4 following:

5 “(q) COMMINGLING OF PRODUCTION.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Inte-
7 rior shall approve applications allowing for the com-
8 mingling of production from 2 or more sources (in-
9 cluding the area of an oil and gas lease, the area in-
10 cluded in a drilling spacing unit, a unit participating
11 area, a communitized area, or non-Federal property)
12 before production reaches the point of royalty meas-
13 urement regardless of ownership, the royalty rates,
14 and the number or percentage of acres for each
15 source if the applicant agrees to install measurement
16 devices for each source, utilize an allocation method
17 that achieves volume measurement uncertainty levels
18 within plus or minus 2 percent during the produc-
19 tion phase reported on a monthly basis, or utilize an
20 approved periodic well testing methodology. Produc-
21 tion from multiple oil and gas leases, drilling spacing
22 units, communitized areas, or participating areas
23 from a single wellbore shall be considered a single
24 source. Nothing in this subsection shall prevent the
25 Secretary of the Interior from continuing the current

1 practice of exercising discretion to authorize higher
2 percentage volume measurement uncertainty levels if
3 appropriate technical and economic justifications
4 have been provided.

5 “(2) REVENUE ALLOCATION.—Fees received
6 under this subsection shall be deposited into the
7 Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.”.

8 **SEC. ___0102. OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS LEASING.**

9 (a) LEASE SALES.—

10 (1) GULF OF AMERICA REGION.—

11 (A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the
12 2024–2029 National Outer Continental Shelf
13 Oil and Gas Leasing Program (and any suc-
14 cessor leasing program that does not satisfy the
15 requirements of this section), notwithstanding
16 lease sales which are held under that program,
17 and except within areas subject to existing oil
18 and gas leasing moratoria, the Secretary of the
19 Interior shall conduct a minimum of 30 region-
20 wide oil and gas lease sales, in a manner con-
21 sistent with the schedule described in subpara-
22 graph (B), in the region consisting of the fol-
23 lowing planning areas as described in the 2017–
24 2022 Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas

1 Leasing Proposed Final Program (November
2 2016):

3 (i) The Central Gulf of Mexico Plan-
4 ning Area.

5 (ii) The Western Gulf of Mexico Plan-
6 ning Area.

7 (B) TIMING REQUIREMENT.—Of the not
8 fewer than 30 region-wide lease sales required
9 under this paragraph, the Secretary of the Inte-
10 rior shall—

11 (i) hold not fewer than 1 lease sale in
12 the region described in subparagraph (A)
13 by December 15, 2025;

14 (ii) hold not fewer than 2 lease sales
15 in that region in each of calendar years
16 2026 through 2039, 1 of which shall be
17 held by March 15 of the applicable cal-
18 endar year and 1 of which shall be held
19 after March 15 but not later than August
20 15 of the applicable calendar year; and

21 (iii) hold not fewer than 1 lease sale
22 in that region in calendar year 2040, which
23 shall be held by March 15, 2040.

24 (2) ALASKA REGION.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the
2 Interior shall conduct a minimum of 6 offshore
3 lease sales, in a manner consistent with the
4 schedule described in subparagraph (B), in the
5 Cook Inlet Planning Area as identified in the
6 2017–2022 Outer Continental Shelf Oil and
7 Gas Leasing Proposed Final Program published
8 on November 18, 2016, by the Bureau of Ocean
9 Energy Management (as announced in the no-
10 tice of availability of the Bureau of Ocean En-
11 ergy Management entitled “Notice of Avail-
12 ability of the 2017–2022 Outer Continental
13 Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Proposed Final Pro-
14 gram” (81 Fed. Reg. 84612 (November 23,
15 2016))).

16 (B) TIMING REQUIREMENT.—Of the not
17 fewer than 6 lease sales required under this
18 paragraph, the Secretary of the Interior shall
19 hold not fewer than 1 lease sale in the region
20 described in subparagraph (A) in each of cal-
21 endar years 2026 through 2028, and in each of
22 calendar years 2030 through 2032, by March
23 15 of the applicable calendar year.

24 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—

1 (1) TERMS AND STIPULATIONS FOR GULF OF
2 AMERICA SALES.—In conducting lease sales under
3 subsection (a)(1), the Secretary of the Interior—

4 (A) shall, subject to subparagraph (C),
5 offer the same lease form, lease terms, eco-
6 nomic conditions, and lease stipulations 4
7 through 9 as contained in the final notice of
8 sale of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Manage-
9 ment entitled “Gulf of Mexico Outer Conti-
10 nental Shelf Region-Wide Oil and Gas Lease
11 Sale 254” (85 Fed. Reg. 8010 (February 12,
12 2020));

13 (B) may update lease stipulations 1
14 through 3 and 10 described in that final notice
15 of sale to reflect current conditions for lease
16 sales conducted under subsection (a)(1); and

17 (C) shall set the royalty rate at not less
18 than 12½ percent but not greater than 16⅔
19 percent.

20 (2) TERMS AND STIPULATIONS FOR ALASKA RE-
21 GION SALES.—

22 (A) IN GENERAL.—In conducting lease
23 sales under subsection (a)(2), the Secretary of
24 the Interior shall offer the same lease form,
25 lease terms, economic conditions, and stipula-

1 tions as contained in the final notice of sale of
2 the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management enti-
3 tled “Cook Inlet Planning Area Outer Conti-
4 nental Shelf Oil and Gas Lease Sale 244” (82
5 Fed. Reg. 23291 (May 22, 2017)).

6 (B) REVENUE SHARING.—Notwithstanding
7 section 8(g) and section 9 of the Outer Conti-
8 nental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1337(g),
9 1338), and beginning in fiscal year 2035, of the
10 bonuses, rents, royalties, and other revenues de-
11 rived from lease sales conducted under sub-
12 section (a)(2)—

13 (i) 90 percent shall be paid to the
14 State of Alaska; and

15 (ii) 10 percent shall be deposited in
16 the Treasury and credited to miscellaneous
17 receipts.

18 (3) AREA OFFERED FOR LEASE.—

19 (A) GULF OF AMERICA REGION.—The Sec-
20 retary of the Interior shall offer not fewer than
21 80,000,000 acres for each offshore lease sale
22 conducted under subsection (a)(1).

23 (B) ALASKA REGION.—The Secretary of
24 the Interior shall offer not fewer than

1 1,000,000 acres for each offshore lease sale
2 conducted under subsection (a)(2).

3 (4) COMPLIANCE WITH THE NATIONAL ENVI-
4 RONMENTAL POLICY ACT.—The final programmatic
5 environmental impact statement published by the
6 Bureau of Ocean Energy Management entitled
7 “Final Programmatic Environmental Impact State-
8 ment for the 2017-2022 Outer Continental Shelf
9 (OCS) Oil and Gas Leasing Program”, and dated
10 November 2016, and the record of decision for that
11 final programmatic environmental impact statement
12 shall apply to the program of lease sales conducted
13 under paragraph (1) of subsection (a) and be suffi-
14 cient for purposes of complying with the National
15 Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321
16 et seq.) for offshore lease sales conducted under that
17 paragraph.

18 (5) SALE-SPECIFIC ANALYSES.—For any lease
19 sale conducted under subsection (a)(1), the final
20 multisale environmental impact statement published
21 by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management enti-
22 tled “Gulf of Mexico OCS Oil and Gas Lease Sales:
23 2017-2022”, and dated March 2017, and the record
24 of decision for that final supplemental environmental
25 impact statement shall apply to and shall be suffi-

1 cient for the purposes of complying with the Na-
2 tional Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.
3 4321 et seq.).

4 (6) ISSUANCE OF LEASES.—If any acceptable
5 bids have been received for any tract offered in a
6 lease sale conducted under subsection (a), the Sec-
7 retary of the Interior shall issue such leases not
8 later than 90 days after the lease sale to the highest
9 bids on the tracts offered.

10 (c) OFFSHORE COMMINGLING.—The Secretary of the
11 Interior shall approve a request of an operator to com-
12 mingle oil or gas production from multiple reservoirs with-
13 in a single wellbore completed on the outer Continental
14 Shelf in the Gulf of America Region unless the Secretary
15 of the Interior determines that conclusive evidence estab-
16 lishes that the commingling—

17 (1) could not be conducted by the operator in
18 a safe manner; or

19 (2) would result in an ultimate recovery from
20 the applicable reservoirs to be reduced in comparison
21 to the expected recovery of those reservoirs if they
22 had not been commingled.

23 (d) OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS ROYALTY RATE.—

24 (1) REPEAL.—Section 50261 of Public Law
25 117–169 (136 Stat. 2056) is repealed, and any pro-

1 vision of law amended or repealed by that section is
2 restored or revived as if that section had not been
3 enacted into law.

4 (2) ROYALTY RATE.—Section 8(a)(1) of the
5 Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C.
6 1337(a)(1)) (as amended by paragraph (1)) is
7 amended—

8 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “not
9 less than 12½ per centum” and inserting “not
10 less than 12½ percent, but not more than 16⅔
11 percent,”;

12 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking “not
13 less than 12½ per centum” and inserting “not
14 less than 12½ percent, but not more than 16⅔
15 percent,”;

16 (C) in subparagraph (F), by striking “no
17 less than 12½ per centum” and inserting “not
18 less than 12½ percent, but not more than 16⅔
19 percent,”; and

20 (D) in subparagraph (H), by striking “no
21 less than 12 and ½ per centum” and inserting
22 “not less than 12½ percent, but not more than
23 16⅔ percent,”.

24 (e) LIMITATIONS ON AMOUNT OF DISTRIBUTED
25 QUALIFIED OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF REVENUES.—

1 Section 105(f)(1) of the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security
2 Act of 2006 (43 U.S.C. 1331 note; Public Law 109–432)
3 is amended—

4 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “and” at
5 the end;

6 (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking “2055.”
7 and inserting “2024;”; and

8 (3) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(D) \$650,000,000 for each of fiscal years
10 2025 through 2034; and

11 “(E) \$500,000,000 for each of fiscal years
12 2035 through 2055.”.

13 **SEC. ___0103. ROYALTIES ON EXTRACTED METHANE.**

14 Section 50263 of Public Law 117–169 (30 U.S.C.
15 1727) is repealed.

16 **SEC. ___0104. ALASKA OIL AND GAS LEASING.**

17 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 (1) COASTAL PLAIN.—The term “Coastal
19 Plain” has the meaning given the term in section
20 20001(a) of Public Law 115–97 (16 U.S.C. 3143
21 note).

22 (2) OIL AND GAS PROGRAM.—The term “oil
23 and gas program” means the oil and gas program
24 established under section 20001(b)(2) of Public Law
25 115–97 (16 U.S.C. 3143 note).

1 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
2 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bu-
3 reau of Land Management.

4 (b) LEASE SALES REQUIRED.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (3), in
6 addition to the lease sales required under section
7 20001(c)(1)(A) of Public Law 115–97 (16 U.S.C.
8 3143 note), the Secretary shall conduct not fewer
9 than 4 lease sales area-wide under the oil and gas
10 program by not later than 10 years after the date
11 of enactment of this Act.

12 (2) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—In conducting
13 lease sales under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall
14 offer the same terms and conditions as contained in
15 the record of decision described in the notice of
16 availability of the Bureau of Land Management enti-
17 tled “Notice of Availability of the Record of Decision
18 for the Final Environmental Impact Statement for
19 the Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program,
20 Alaska” (85 Fed. Reg. 51754 (August 21, 2020)).

21 (3) SALE ACREAGES; SCHEDULE.—

22 (A) ACREAGES.—In conducting the lease
23 sales required under paragraph (1), the Sec-
24 retary shall offer for lease under the oil and gas
25 program—

1 (i) not fewer than 400,000 acres area-
2 wide in each lease sale; and

3 (ii) those areas that have the highest
4 potential for the discovery of hydrocarbons.

5 (B) SCHEDULE.—The Secretary shall
6 offer—

7 (i) the initial lease sale under para-
8 graph (1) not later than 4 years after the
9 date of enactment of this Act; and

10 (ii) a second lease sale under para-
11 graph (1) not later than 7 years after the
12 date of enactment of this Act.

13 (4) RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—The Secretary shall issue
14 any rights of-way or easements across the Coastal
15 Plain for the exploration, development, production,
16 or transportation necessary to carry out this sub-
17 section.

18 (5) SURFACE DEVELOPMENT.—In carrying out
19 this subsection, the Secretary shall authorize up to
20 2,000 surface acres of Federal land on the Coastal
21 Plain to be covered by production and support facili-
22 ties (including airstrips and any area covered by
23 gravel berms or piers for support of pipelines) dur-
24 ing the term of the leases under the oil and gas pro-
25 gram.

1 (c) RECEIPTS.—Notwithstanding section 35 of the
2 Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 191) and section
3 20001(b)(5) of Public Law 115–97 (16 U.S.C. 3143
4 note), of the amount of adjusted bonus, rental, and royalty
5 receipts derived from the oil and gas program and oper-
6 ations on the Coastal Plain pursuant to this section—

7 (1)(A) for each of fiscal years 2025 through
8 2034, 50 percent shall be paid to the State of Alas-
9 ka; and

10 (B) for fiscal year 2035 and each fiscal year
11 thereafter, 90 percent shall be paid to the State of
12 Alaska; and

13 (2) the balance shall be deposited into the
14 Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

15 **SEC. ___ 0105. NATIONAL PETROLEUM RESERVE–ALASKA.**

16 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

17 (1) NPR–A FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
18 STATEMENT.—The term “NPR–A final environ-
19 mental impact statement” means the final environ-
20 mental impact statement published by the Bureau of
21 Land Management entitled “National Petroleum Re-
22 serve in Alaska Integrated Activity Plan Final Envi-
23 ronmental Impact Statement” and dated June 2020,
24 including the errata sheet dated October 6, 2020,

1 and excluding the errata sheet dated September 20,
2 2022.

3 (2) NPR–A RECORD OF DECISION.—The term
4 “NPR–A record of decision” means the record of de-
5 cision published by the Bureau of Land Manage-
6 ment entitled “National Petroleum Reserve in Alas-
7 ka Integrated Activity Plan Record of Decision” and
8 dated December 2020.

9 (3) PROGRAM.—The term “Program” means
10 the competitive oil and gas leasing, exploration, de-
11 velopment, and production program established
12 under section 107 of the Naval Petroleum Reserves
13 Production Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 6506a).

14 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
15 the Secretary of the Interior.

16 (b) RESTORATION OF NPR–A OIL AND GAS LEASING
17 PROGRAM.—Effective beginning on the date of enactment
18 of this Act—

19 (1) the Secretary shall expeditiously restore and
20 resume oil and gas lease sales under the Program
21 for domestic energy production and Federal revenue,
22 subject to the requirements of this section; and

23 (2) part 2360 of title 43, Code of Federal Reg-
24 ulations, shall have no force or effect.

25 (c) RESUMPTION OF NPR–A LEASE SALES.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
2 the Secretary shall conduct not fewer than 5 lease
3 sales under the Program by not later than 10 years
4 after the date of enactment of this Act.

5 (2) SALES ACREAGES; SCHEDULE.—

6 (A) ACREAGES.—In conducting the lease
7 sales required under paragraph (1), the Sec-
8 retary shall offer not fewer than 4,000,000
9 acres in each lease sale.

10 (B) SCHEDULE.—The Secretary shall
11 offer—

12 (i) an initial lease sale under para-
13 graph (1) not later than 1 year after the
14 date of enactment of this Act; and

15 (ii) an additional lease sale under
16 paragraph (1) not later than every 2 years
17 after the date of enactment of this Act.

18 (d) TERMS AND STIPULATIONS FOR NPR—A LEASE
19 SALES.—In conducting lease sales under subsection (c),
20 the Secretary shall offer the same lease form, lease terms,
21 economic conditions, and stipulations as described in the
22 NPR—A final environmental impact statement and the
23 NPR—A record of decision.

1 (e) COMPLIANCE WITH THE NATIONAL ENVIRON-
2 MENTAL POLICY ACT.—The NPR–A final environmental
3 impact statement and the NPR–A record of decision—

4 (1) shall apply to the lease sales conducted
5 under subsection (c); and

6 (2) are sufficient for purposes of complying
7 with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969
8 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).

9 (f) RECEIPTS.—Section 107(l) of the Naval Petro-
10 leum Reserves Production Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C.
11 6506a(l)) is amended—

12 (1) by striking “All receipts from” and insert-
13 ing the following:

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
15 graph (2), all receipts from”; and

16 (2) by adding at the end the following:

17 “(2) PERCENT SHARE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2035
18 AND THEREAFTER.—Beginning in fiscal year 2035,
19 of the receipts described in paragraph (1)—

20 “(A) 90 percent shall be paid to the State
21 of Alaska; and

22 “(B) 10 percent shall be paid into the
23 Treasury of the United States.”.

Subtitle B—Mining

2 SEC. ____ 0201. AMBLER ROAD IN ALASKA.

3 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 (1) ALTERNATIVE A.—The term “Alternative
5 A” means Alternative A as described in “Chapter 2.
6 Alternatives” of the Ambler Road Final Environ-
7 mental Impact Statement.

8 (2) AMBLER ROAD FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IM-
9 PACT STATEMENT.—The term “Ambler Road Final
10 Environmental Impact Statement” means the docu-
11 ment entitled “Ambler Road Environmental Impact
12 Statement, Final, Volume 1: Chapters 1–3, Appen-
13 dices A–F”, published March 2020 by the Bureau of
14 Land Management.

15 (3) APPLICANT.—The term “Applicant” has
16 the meaning given the term in the Ambler Road
17 Final Environmental Impact Statement.

18 (4) FEDERAL LAND.—The term “Federal land”
19 has the meaning given the term in section 102 of the
20 Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act
21 (16 U.S.C. 3102).

22 (5) PUBLIC LANDS.—The term “public lands”
23 has the meaning given the term in section 102 of the
24 Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act
25 (16 U.S.C. 3102).

1 (6) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
2 the Secretary of the Interior.

3 (b) RECORD OF DECISION.—Not later than 90 days
4 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary
5 shall—

6 (1) rescind the record of decision published by
7 the Bureau of Land Management entitled “Ambler
8 Road Supplemental Environmental Impact State-
9 ment Record of Decision” and dated June 2024;

10 (2) publish in the Federal Register a new
11 record of decision which selects Alternative A as the
12 preferred alternative; and

13 (3) issue to the Applicant permits for the
14 rights-of-way on Federal land and public lands ad-
15 ministered by the Bureau of Land Management and
16 the National Park Service, as applicable.

17 (c) RENTAL PAYMENTS.—The rental fee paid by the
18 Applicant to the Bureau of Land Management for a per-
19 mit for a right-of-way issued pursuant to subsection (b)(3)
20 shall be \$500,000 for each of fiscal years 2025 through
21 2034.

22 (d) RECEIPTS.—Fees paid to the Bureau of Land
23 Management under subsection (c) shall be deposited in the
24 Treasury and credited to miscellaneous receipts.

1 **SEC. ____0202. COAL LEASING.**

2 Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment
3 of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall—

4 (1) with respect to each application for a coal
5 lease entered into by the United States as lessor,
6 through the Bureau of Land Management, and an
7 applicant on Bureau of Land Management Form
8 3400-012 (or a successor form that contains the
9 terms of a coal lease) pending as of the date of en-
10 actment of this Act or submitted within 90 days
11 thereafter under the lease by application program
12 administered by the Bureau of Land Management
13 pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 181
14 et seq.) for which any required environmental review
15 has commenced or the Director of the Bureau of
16 Land Management determines can commence within
17 90 days after receiving the application (referred to
18 in this section as a “qualified application”)—

19 (A) if not previously published for public
20 comment, publish any required environmental
21 review;

22 (B) establish the fair market value of the
23 applicable coal tract;

24 (C) hold a lease sale with respect to the
25 applicable coal tract;

1 (D) identify the highest bidder at or above
2 the fair market value and take all other inter-
3 mediate actions necessary to identify the win-
4 ning bidder and grant the qualified application;
5 and

6 (E) after completing the actions required
7 by subparagraphs (A) through (D), grant the
8 qualified application and issue the applicable
9 lease to the person that submitted the qualified
10 application if that person submitted the winning
11 bid in the lease sale held under subparagraph
12 (C); and

13 (2) with respect to a previously issued coal lease
14 entered into by the United States as lessor, through
15 the Bureau of Land Management, and an applicant
16 on Bureau of Land Management Form 3400-012
17 (or a successor form that contains the terms of a
18 coal lease), grant any additional approvals of the
19 Department of the Interior required for mining ac-
20 tivities to commence.

21 **SEC. ___ 0203. COAL ROYALTY.**

22 (a) RATE.—Section 7(a) of the Mineral Leasing Act
23 (30 U.S.C. 207(a)) is amended, in the fourth sentence,
24 by striking “12½ per centum” and inserting “12½ per-
25 cent, except such amount shall be not more than 7 percent

1 during the period that begins on the date of enactment
2 of the [Act titled ‘An Act to provide for reconciliation pur-
3 suant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14’] and ends September
4 30, 2034.”.

5 (b) APPLICABILITY TO EXISTING LEASES.—The
6 amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to a coal
7 lease—

8 (1) issued under section 2 of the Mineral Leas-
9 ing Act (30 U.S.C. 201) before, on, or after the date
10 of the enactment of this Act; and

11 (2) that has not been terminated.

12 (c) ADVANCE ROYALTIES.—With respect to a lease
13 issued under section 2 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30
14 U.S.C. 201) for which the lessee has paid advance royal-
15 ties under section 7(b) of that Act (30 U.S.C. 207(b)),
16 the Secretary of the Interior shall provide to the lessee
17 a credit for the difference between the amount paid by
18 the lessee in advance royalties for the lease before the date
19 of the enactment of this Act and the amount the lessee
20 would have been required to pay if the amendment made
21 by subsection (a) had been made before the lessee paid
22 advance royalties for the lease.

1 **SEC. ____0204. LEASES FOR KNOWN RECOVERABLE COAL**
2 **RESOURCES.**

3 Notwithstanding section 2(a)(3)(A) of the Mineral
4 Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 201(a)(3)(A)) and section 202(a)
5 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976
6 (43 U.S.C. 1712(a)), not later than 90 days after the date
7 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior
8 shall make available for lease known recoverable coal re-
9 sources of not less than 4,000,000 additional acres on
10 Federal land located in the 48 contiguous States and Alas-
11 ka subject to the jurisdiction of the Secretary, but which
12 shall not include any Federal land within—

- 13 (1) a National Monument;
- 14 (2) a National Recreation Area;
- 15 (3) a component of the National Wilderness
16 Preservation System;
- 17 (4) a component of the National Wild and Sce-
18 nic Rivers System;
- 19 (5) a component of the National Trails System;
- 20 (6) a National Conservation Area;
- 21 (7) a unit of the National Wildlife Refuge Sys-
22 tem;
- 23 (8) a unit of the National Fish Hatchery Sys-
24 tem;
- 25 (9) a unit of the National Park System;
- 26 (10) a National Preserve;

1 (11) a National Seashore or National Lake-
2 shore;

3 (12) a National Historic Site;

4 (13) a National Memorial;

5 (14) a National Battlefield, National Battlefield
6 Park, National Battlefield Site, or National Military
7 Park; or

8 (15) a National Historical Park.

9 **SEC. ___ 0205. AUTHORIZATION TO MINE FEDERAL COAL.**

10 (a) **AUTHORIZATION.**—In order to provide access to
11 coal reserves in adjacent State or private land that without
12 an authorization could not be mined economically, Federal
13 coal reserves located in Federal land subject to a mining
14 plan previously approved by the Secretary of the Interior
15 as of the date of enactment of this Act and adjacent to
16 coal reserves in adjacent State or private land are author-
17 ized to be mined.

18 (b) **REQUIREMENT.**—Not later than 30 days after the
19 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior
20 shall, without substantial modification, take such steps as
21 are necessary to authorize the mining of Federal land de-
22 scribed in subsection (a).

Subtitle C—Lands

1
2 **SEC. ____ 0301. MANDATORY DISPOSAL OF BUREAU OF LAND**
3 **MANAGEMENT LAND AND NATIONAL FOREST**
4 **SYSTEM LAND FOR HOUSING.**

5 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 (1) BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT LAND.—

7 The term “Bureau of Land Management land”
8 means Federal land administered by the Secretary.

9 (2) COVERED FEDERAL LAND.—The term “cov-
10 ered Federal land” means—

11 (A) Bureau of Land Management land se-
12 lected for disposal under this section; and

13 (B) National Forest System land selected
14 for disposal under this section.

15 (3) ELIGIBLE STATE.—The term “eligible
16 State” means any of the States of—

17 (A) Alaska;

18 (B) Arizona;

19 (C) California;

20 (D) Colorado;

21 (E) Idaho;

22 (F) Nevada;

23 (G) New Mexico;

24 (H) Oregon;

25 (I) Utah;

1 (J) Washington; or

2 (K) Wyoming.

3 (4) FEDERALLY PROTECTED LAND.—The term

4 “federally protected land” means—

5 (A) a National Monument;

6 (B) a National Recreation Area;

7 (C) a component of the National Wilder-
8 ness Preservation System;

9 (D) a component of the National Wild and
10 Scenic Rivers System;

11 (E) a component of the National Trails
12 System;

13 (F) a National Conservation Area;

14 (G) a unit of the National Wildlife Refuge
15 System;

16 (H) a unit of the National Fish Hatchery
17 System;

18 (I) a unit of the National Park System;

19 (J) a National Preserve;

20 (K) a National Seashore or National Lake-
21 shore;

22 (L) a National Historic Site;

23 (M) a National Memorial;

1 (N) a National Battlefield, National Bat-
2 tlefield Park, National Battlefield Site, or Na-
3 tional Military Park; or

4 (O) a National Historical Park.

5 (5) NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM LAND.—The
6 term “National Forest System land” means Federal
7 land (other than a forest reserve not created from
8 the public domain) administered by the Secretary of
9 Agriculture (acting through the Chief of the Forest
10 Service).

11 (6) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
12 the Secretary of the Interior (acting through the Di-
13 rector of the Bureau of Land Management).

14 (7) SECRETARY CONCERNED.—The term “Sec-
15 retary concerned” means—

16 (A) the Secretary, with respect to Bureau
17 of Land Management land; and

18 (B) the Secretary of Agriculture (acting
19 through the Chief of the Forest Service), with
20 respect to National Forest System land.

21 (8) VALID EXISTING RIGHT.—The term “valid
22 existing right” means any legally recognized right,
23 title, lease, claim, permit, or right-of-way in or to
24 covered Federal land in existence before the date of
25 enactment of this Act, including—

1 (A) a mining claim under sections 2319
2 through 2344 of the Revised Statutes (com-
3 monly known as the “Mining Law of 1872”)
4 (30 U.S.C. 22 et seq.);

5 (B) a grazing permit issued under the Act
6 of June 28, 1934 (commonly known as the
7 “Taylor Grazing Act”) (48 Stat. 1269, chapter
8 865; 43 U.S.C. 315 et seq.);

9 (C) a mineral lease issued under the Min-
10 eral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.); and

11 (D) a lease or right-of-way issued under
12 the Federal Land Policy and Management Act
13 of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.).

14 (b) REQUIREMENT.—Subject to the requirements of
15 this section, as soon as practicable after the date of enact-
16 ment of this Act—

17 (1) the Secretary shall select for disposal not
18 less than 0.50 percent and not more than 0.75 per-
19 cent of Bureau of Land Management land, and shall
20 dispose of all right, title, and interest of the United
21 States in and to those tracts selected for disposal
22 under this section; and

23 (2) the Secretary of Agriculture (acting through
24 the Chief of the Forest Service) shall select for dis-
25 posal not less than 0.50 percent and not more than

1 0.75 percent of National Forest System land, and
2 shall dispose of all right, title, and interest of the
3 United States in and to those tracts selected for dis-
4 posal under this section.

5 (c) SELECTION PROCESS; PRIORITY CONSIDER-
6 ATION.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after
8 the date of enactment of this Act and every 60 days
9 thereafter, the Secretary concerned shall publish a
10 list of tracts of Bureau of Land Management land
11 and National Forest System land identified by the
12 Secretary concerned for disposal by the Secretary
13 concerned or nominated for disposal under para-
14 graph (2) that have been selected by the Secretary
15 concerned for disposal under this section.

16 (2) NOMINATIONS FROM INTERESTED PAR-
17 TIES.—

18 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days
19 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
20 retary concerned shall publish a notice soliciting
21 nominations of tracts of Bureau of Land Man-
22 agement land and National Forest System land
23 for disposal by the Secretary concerned under
24 this section from interested parties, including
25 States and units of local government.

1 (B) CONSULTATION.—Before selecting for
2 disposal under this section any tract of Bureau
3 of Land Management land or National Forest
4 System land nominated for disposal under sub-
5 paragraph (A), the Secretary concerned shall
6 consult with—

7 (i) the Governor of the State in which
8 the nominated tract is located regarding
9 the suitability of the area for residential
10 development;

11 (ii) each applicable unit of local gov-
12 ernment; and

13 (iii) each applicable Indian Tribe.

14 (C) REQUIREMENTS.—A nomination of a
15 tract of Bureau of Land Management land or
16 National Forest System land for disposal sub-
17 mitted by an interested party under subpara-
18 graph (A) shall include a description of—

19 (i) the planned use of the tract of Bu-
20 reau of Land Management land or Na-
21 tional Forest System land; and

22 (ii) the extent to which the develop-
23 ment of the tract of Bureau of Land Man-
24 agement land or National Forest System
25 land would address local housing needs (in-

1 cluding housing supply and affordability)
2 or any associated community needs.

3 (3) PRIORITY CONSIDERATION.—In selecting
4 tracts of Bureau of Land Management land and Na-
5 tional Forest System land for disposal under this
6 section, the Secretary concerned shall give priority
7 consideration to the disposal of tracts of Bureau of
8 Land Management land and National Forest System
9 land that, as determined by the Secretary con-
10 cerned—

11 (A) are nominated by States or units of
12 local governments;

13 (B) are adjacent to existing developed
14 areas;

15 (C) have access to existing infrastructure;

16 (D) are suitable for residential housing;

17 (E) reduce checkerboard land patterns; or

18 (F) are isolated tracts that are inefficient
19 to manage.

20 (d) METHOD OF DISPOSAL.—The Secretary con-
21 cerned may dispose of tracts of covered Federal land
22 under this section by competitive sale, auction, or other
23 methods designed to secure not less than fair market value
24 for the tracts of covered Federal land conveyed.

1 (e) FAIR MARKET VALUE.—A sale of a tract of cov-
2 ered Federal land under this section shall be for not less
3 than fair market value.

4 (f) RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL.—The Secretary con-
5 cerned may provide a State or unit of local government
6 in which a tract of covered Federal land is located a right
7 of first refusal to purchase the applicable tract of covered
8 Federal land for community development purposes, sub-
9 ject to subsection (e).

10 (g) LIMITATIONS.—

11 (1) USE.—A tract of covered Federal land dis-
12 posed of under this section shall be used solely for
13 the development of housing or to address associated
14 community needs as defined by the Secretary con-
15 cerned.

16 (2) MAXIMUM TOTAL ACREAGE.—The Secretary
17 concerned shall establish a maximum total acreage
18 of tracts of covered Federal land that a person may
19 purchase under this section.

20 (3) RESTRICTIVE COVENANT.—

21 (A) IN GENERAL.—As a condition of the
22 conveyance of a tract of covered Federal land
23 under this section, the conveyance shall include
24 a restrictive covenant requiring that the tract of
25 covered Federal land conveyed be used for a pe-

1 riod of not less than 10 years in accordance
2 with the planned use of the tract of covered
3 Federal land—

4 (i) as described pursuant to para-
5 graph (2)(C)(i) of subsection (c), in the
6 case of covered Federal land nominated
7 under that paragraph; or

8 (ii) as identified by the Secretary con-
9 cerned, in the case of covered Federal land
10 initially identified for disposal by the Sec-
11 retary concerned.

12 (B) RIGHT OF ENFORCEMENT.—The
13 United States shall retain a right of enforce-
14 ment against any use inconsistent with a re-
15 strictive covenant included in a conveyance of a
16 tract of Federal land under subparagraph (A).

17 (4) FEDERALLY PROTECTED LAND; VALID EX-
18 ISTING RIGHTS; OUTSIDE ELIGIBLE STATES.—The
19 Secretary concerned may not dispose of any tract of
20 covered Federal land that is—

21 (A) federally protected land;

22 (B) subject to valid existing rights; or

23 (C) not located in an eligible State.

24 (5) NUMBER OF TRACTS.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
2 subparagraph (B), a person may not purchase
3 more than 2 tracts of covered Federal land in
4 any 1 sale under this section unless the person
5 owns land surrounding the tracts of covered
6 Federal land to be sold under this section.

7 (B) EXCEPTION.—Subparagraph (A) shall
8 not apply to a State or unit of local govern-
9 ment.

10 (h) DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraphs (2)
12 and (3) and any provision of an applicable State en-
13 abling Act, any proceeds from the disposal of cov-
14 ered Federal land under this section shall be depos-
15 ited in the general fund of the Treasury.

16 (2) REVENUE SHARING WITH UNIT OF LOCAL
17 GOVERNMENT.—

18 (A) DISTRIBUTION.—Notwithstanding
19 paragraph (1), 5 percent of the gross proceeds
20 from each sale of a tract of covered Federal
21 land under this section (other than a sale to a
22 unit of local government) shall be distributed
23 to—

24 (i) the unit of local government with
25 sole jurisdiction over the tract sold; or

1 (ii) in a case in which more than 1
2 unit of local government has jurisdiction
3 over the tract sold, the unit of local gov-
4 ernment that the Secretary concerned de-
5 termines exercises primary land use au-
6 thority over the tract sold, as of the date
7 of the sale.

8 (B) USE.—Amounts distributed to a unit
9 of local government under subparagraph (A)
10 shall be used by the unit of local government
11 solely for essential infrastructure directly sup-
12 porting housing development or other associated
13 community needs, as determined by the Sec-
14 retary concerned.

15 (3) DEFERRED MAINTENANCE BACKLOG.—Not-
16 withstanding paragraph (1), 5 percent of the gross
17 proceeds from each sale of a tract of covered Federal
18 land under this section shall be used by the Sec-
19 retary concerned to address the deferred mainte-
20 nance backlog on Bureau of Land Management land
21 or National Forest System land, as applicable, in the
22 State in which the tract sold is located.

23 (i) APPLICABLE LAW.—The disposal of a tract of
24 covered Federal land under this section shall be considered
25 to meet the requirements under—

1 (1) subsections (a), (c), (d), and (f) of section
2 202 of the Federal Land Policy and Management
3 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712); and

4 (2) section 203 of that Act (43 U.S.C. 1713).

5 (j) DEADLINE.—Not later than 5 years after the date
6 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary concerned shall
7 complete all conveyances of tracts of covered Federal land
8 required under this section.

9 (k) FUNDING.—In addition to amounts otherwise
10 made available, out of any funds in the Treasury not oth-
11 erwise appropriated, there are appropriated for fiscal year
12 2025 to carry out this section, including the hiring of ap-
13 praisers, soliciting nominations of tracts of Bureau of
14 Land Management land or National Forest System land,
15 as applicable, identifying Bureau of Land Management
16 land or National Forest System land, as applicable, for
17 disposal, and the timely disposal of covered Federal land—

18 (1) \$5,000,000 to the Secretary, to remain
19 available until expended; and

20 (2) \$5,000,000 to the Secretary of Agriculture
21 (acting through the Chief of the Forest Service), to
22 remain available until expended.

1 **SEC. ____0302. TIMBER SALES AND LONG-TERM CON-**
2 **TRACTING FOR THE FOREST SERVICE AND**
3 **THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT.**

4 (a) FOREST SERVICE.—

5 (1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

6 (A) FOREST PLAN.—The term “forest
7 plan” means a land and resource management
8 plan prepared by the Secretary for a unit of the
9 National Forest System pursuant to section 6
10 of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Re-
11 sources Planning Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C.
12 1604).

13 (B) NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM.—

14 (i) IN GENERAL.—The term “Na-
15 tional Forest System” means land of the
16 National Forest System (as defined in sec-
17 tion 11(a) of the Forest and Rangeland
18 Renewable Resources Planning Act of
19 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1609(a))) administered
20 by the Secretary.

21 (ii) EXCLUSIONS.—The term “Na-
22 tional Forest System” does not include any
23 forest reserve not created from the public
24 domain.

1 (C) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
2 means the Secretary of Agriculture, acting
3 through the Chief of the Forest Service.

4 (2) TIMBER SALES ON PUBLIC DOMAIN FOREST
5 RESERVES.—

6 (A) IN GENERAL.—For each of fiscal years
7 2026 through 2034, the Secretary shall sell
8 timber annually on National Forest System
9 land in a total quantity that is not less than
10 250,000,000 board-feet greater than the quan-
11 tity of board-feet sold in the previous fiscal
12 year.

13 (B) LIMITATION.—The timber sales under
14 subparagraph (A) shall be subject to the max-
15 imum allowable sale quantity of timber or the
16 projected timber sale quantity under the appli-
17 cable forest plan in effect on the date of enact-
18 ment of this Act.

19 (3) LONG-TERM CONTRACTING FOR THE FOR-
20 EST SERVICE.—

21 (A) LONG-TERM CONTRACTING.—For the
22 period of fiscal years 2025 through 2034, the
23 Secretary shall enter into not fewer than 40
24 long-term timber sale contracts with private
25 persons or other public or private entities under

1 subsection (a) of section 14 of the National
2 Forest Management Act of 1976 (16 U.S.C.
3 472a) for the sale of national forest materials
4 (as defined in subsection (e)(1) of that section)
5 in the National Forest System.

6 (B) CONTRACT LENGTH.—The period of a
7 timber sale contract entered into to meet the
8 requirement under subparagraph (A) shall be
9 not less than 20 years, with options for exten-
10 sions or renewals, as determined by the Sec-
11 retary.

12 (C) RECEIPTS.—Any monies derived from
13 a timber sale contract entered into to meet the
14 requirements under subparagraphs (A) and (B)
15 shall be deposited in the general fund of the
16 Treasury.

17 (b) BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT.—

18 (1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

19 (A) PUBLIC LANDS.—The term “public
20 lands” has the meaning given the term in sec-
21 tion 103 of the Federal Land Policy and Man-
22 agement Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702).

23 (B) RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN.—The
24 term “resource management plan” means a
25 land use plan prepared for public lands under

1 section 202 of the Federal Land Policy and
2 Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712).

3 (C) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
4 means the Secretary of the Interior, acting
5 through the Director of the Bureau of Land
6 Management.

7 (2) TIMBER SALES ON PUBLIC LANDS.—

8 (A) IN GENERAL.—For each of fiscal years
9 2026 through 2034, the Secretary shall sell
10 timber annually on public lands in a total quan-
11 tity that is not less than 20,000,000 board-feet
12 greater than the quantity of board-feet sold in
13 the previous fiscal year.

14 (B) LIMITATION.—The timber sales under
15 subparagraph (A) shall be subject to the appli-
16 cable resource management plan in effect on
17 the date of enactment of this Act.

18 (3) LONG-TERM CONTRACTING FOR THE BU-
19 REAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT.—

20 (A) LONG-TERM CONTRACTING.—For the
21 period of fiscal years 2025 through 2034, the
22 Secretary shall enter into not fewer than 5
23 long-term contracts with private persons or
24 other public or private entities under section 1
25 of the Act of July 31, 1947 (commonly known

1 as the “Materials Act of 1947”) (61 Stat. 681,
2 chapter 406; 30 U.S.C. 601), for the disposal
3 of vegetative materials described in that section
4 on public lands.

5 (B) CONTRACT LENGTH.—The period of a
6 contract entered into to meet the requirement
7 under subparagraph (A) shall be not less than
8 20 years, with options for extensions or renew-
9 als, as determined by the Secretary.

10 (C) RECEIPTS.—Any monies derived from
11 a contract entered into to meet the require-
12 ments under subparagraphs (A) and (B) shall
13 be deposited in the general fund of the Treas-
14 ury.

15 **SEC. ___ 0303. RENEWABLE ENERGY FEES ON FEDERAL**
16 **LAND.**

17 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 (1) ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT FACTOR.—The term
19 “Annual Adjustment Factor” means 3 percent.

20 (2) ENCUMBRANCE FACTOR.—The term “En-
21 cumbrance Factor” means—

22 (A) 100 percent for a solar energy genera-
23 tion facility; and

1 (B) an amount determined by the Sec-
2 retary, but not less than 10 percent for a wind
3 energy generation facility.

4 (3) NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM.—

5 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “National
6 Forest System” means land of the National
7 Forest System (as defined in section 11(a) of
8 the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources
9 Planning Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1609(a))) ad-
10 ministered by the Secretary of Agriculture.

11 (B) EXCLUSION.—The term “National
12 Forest System” does not include any forest re-
13 serve not created from the public domain.

14 (4) PER-ACRE RATE.—The term “Per-Acre
15 Rate”, with respect to a right-of-way, means the av-
16 erage of the per-acre pastureland rental rates pub-
17 lished in the Cash Rents Survey by the National Ag-
18 ricultural Statistics Service for the State in which
19 the right-of-way is located over the 5 calendar-year
20 period preceding the issuance or renewal of the
21 right-of-way.

22 (5) PROJECT.—The term “project” means a
23 system described in section 2801.9(a)(4) of title 43,
24 Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on the
25 date of enactment of this Act).

1 (6) PUBLIC LAND.—The term “public land”
2 means—

3 (A) public lands (as defined in section 103
4 of the Federal Land Policy and Management
5 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702)); and

6 (B) National Forest System land.

7 (7) RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECT.—The term
8 “renewable energy project” means a project located
9 on public land that uses wind or solar energy to gen-
10 erate energy.

11 (8) RIGHT-OF-WAY.—The term “right-of-way”
12 has the meaning given the term in section 103 of the
13 Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976
14 (43 U.S.C. 1702).

15 (9) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
16 means—

17 (A) the Secretary of the Interior, with re-
18 spect to land controlled or administered by the
19 Secretary of the Interior; and

20 (B) the Secretary of Agriculture, with re-
21 spect to National Forest System land.

22 (b) ACREAGE RENT FOR WIND AND SOLAR RIGHTS-
23 OF-WAY.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—Pursuant to section 504(g)
25 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of

1 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1764(g)), the Secretary shall, sub-
2 ject to paragraph (3) and not later than January 1
3 of each calendar year, collect from the holder of a
4 right-of-way for a renewable energy project an acre-
5 age rent in an amount determined by the equation
6 described in paragraph (2).

7 (2) CALCULATION OF ACREAGE RENT RATE.—

8 (A) EQUATION.—The amount of an acre-
9 age rent collected under paragraph (1) shall be
10 determined using the following equation: Acre-
11 age rent = $A \times B \times ((1 + C)^D)$.

12 (B) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of the
13 equation described in subparagraph (A):

14 (i) The letter “A” means the Per-Acre
15 Rate.

16 (ii) The letter “B” means the Encum-
17 brance Factor.

18 (iii) The letter “C” means the Annual
19 Adjustment Factor.

20 (iv) The letter “D” means the year in
21 the term of the right-of-way.

22 (3) PAYMENT UNTIL PRODUCTION.—The holder
23 of a right-of-way for a renewable energy project shall
24 pay an acreage rent collected under paragraph (1)
25 until the date on which energy generation begins.

1 (c) CAPACITY FEES.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, subject
3 to paragraph (3), annually collect a capacity fee
4 from the holder of a right-of-way for a renewable en-
5 ergy project based on the amount described in para-
6 graph (2).

7 (2) CALCULATION OF CAPACITY FEE.—The
8 amount of a capacity fee collected under paragraph
9 (1) shall be equal to the greater of—

10 (A) an amount equal to the acreage rent
11 described in subsection (b); and

12 (B) 4.58 percent of the gross proceeds
13 from the sale of electricity produced by the re-
14 newable energy project.

15 (3) MULTIPLE-USE REDUCTION FACTOR.—

16 (A) APPLICATION.—The holder of a right-
17 of-way for a wind energy generation project
18 may request that the Secretary apply a mul-
19 tiple-use reduction factor of 10-percent to the
20 amount of a capacity fee determined under
21 paragraph (2) by submitting to the Secretary
22 an application at such time, in such manner,
23 and containing such information as the Sec-
24 retary may require.

1 (B) APPROVAL.—The Secretary may ap-
2 prove an application submitted under subpara-
3 graph (A) only if not less than 25 percent of
4 the land within the area of the right-of-way is
5 authorized for use, occupancy, or development
6 with respect to an activity other than the gen-
7 eration of wind energy for the entirety of the
8 year in which the capacity fee is collected.

9 (C) LATE DETERMINATION.—

10 (i) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary ap-
11 proves an application under subparagraph
12 (B) for a wind energy generation project
13 after the date on which the holder of the
14 right-of-way for the project begins paying
15 a capacity fee, the Secretary shall apply
16 the multiple-use reduction factor described
17 in subparagraph (A) to the capacity fee for
18 the first year beginning after the date of
19 approval and each year thereafter for the
20 period during which the right-of-way re-
21 mains in effect.

22 (ii) REFUND.—The Secretary may not
23 refund the holder of a right-of-way for the
24 difference in the amount of a capacity fee
25 paid in a previous year.

1 (d) LATE PAYMENT FEE; TERMINATION.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may charge
3 the holder of a right-of-way for a renewable energy
4 project a late payment fee if the Secretary does not
5 receive payment for the acreage rent under sub-
6 section (b) or the capacity fee under subsection (c)
7 by the date that is 15 days after the date on which
8 the payment was due.

9 (2) TERMINATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY.—The
10 Secretary may terminate a right-of-way for a renew-
11 able energy project if the Secretary does not receive
12 payment for the acreage rent under subsection (b)
13 or the capacity fee under subsection (c) by the date
14 that is 90 days after the date on which the payment
15 was due.

16 (e) ENSURING FEE CERTAINTY.—Section 3103 of
17 the Energy Act of 2020 (43 U.S.C. 3003) is repealed.

18 **SEC. ___ 0304. RENEWABLE ENERGY REVENUE SHARING.**

19 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

20 (1) COUNTY.—The term “county” includes a
21 parish, township, borough, and any other similar,
22 independent unit of local government.

23 (2) COVERED LAND.—The term “covered land”
24 means land that is—

1 (A) public land administered by the Sec-
2 retary; and

3 (B) not excluded from the development of
4 solar or wind energy under—

5 (i) a land use plan; or

6 (ii) other Federal law.

7 (3) NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM.—

8 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “National
9 Forest System” means land of the National
10 Forest System (as defined in section 11(a) of
11 the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources
12 Planning Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1609(a))) ad-
13 ministered by the Secretary of Agriculture.

14 (B) EXCLUSION.—The term “National
15 Forest System” does not include any forest re-
16 serve not created from the public domain.

17 (4) PUBLIC LAND.—The term “public land”
18 means—

19 (A) public lands (as defined in section 103
20 of the Federal Land Policy and Management
21 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702)); and

22 (B) National Forest System land.

23 (5) RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECT.—The term
24 “renewable energy project” means a system de-
25 scribed in section 2801.9(a)(4) of title 43, Code of

1 Federal Regulations (as in effect on the date of en-
2 actment of this Act), located on covered land that
3 uses wind or solar energy to generate energy.

4 (6) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
5 means—

6 (A) the Secretary of the Interior, with re-
7 spect to land controlled or administered by the
8 Secretary of the Interior; and

9 (B) the Secretary of Agriculture, with re-
10 spect to National Forest System land.

11 (b) DISPOSITION OF REVENUE.—

12 (1) DISPOSITION OF REVENUES.—Beginning on
13 January 1, 2026, the amounts collected from a re-
14 newable energy project as bonus bids, rentals, fees,
15 or other payments under a right-of-way, permit,
16 lease, or other authorization shall—

17 (A) be deposited in the general fund of the
18 Treasury; and

19 (B) without further appropriation or fiscal
20 year limitation, be allocated as follows:

21 (i) 25 percent shall be paid from
22 amounts in the general fund of the Treas-
23 ury to the State within the boundaries of
24 which the revenue is derived.

1 (ii) 25 percent shall be paid from
2 amounts in the general fund of the Treas-
3 ury to each county in a State within the
4 boundaries of which the revenue is derived,
5 to be allocated among each applicable
6 county based on the percentage of county
7 land from which the revenue is derived.

8 (2) PAYMENTS TO STATES AND COUNTIES.—

9 (A) IN GENERAL.—Amounts paid to States
10 and counties under paragraph (1) shall be used
11 in accordance with the requirements of section
12 35 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 191).

13 (B) PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES.—A
14 payment to a county under paragraph (1) shall
15 be in addition to a payment in lieu of taxes re-
16 ceived by the county under chapter 69 of title
17 31, United States Code.

18 (C) TIMING.—The amounts required to be
19 paid under paragraph (1)(B) for an applicable
20 fiscal year shall be made available in the fiscal
21 year that immediately follows the fiscal year for
22 which the amounts were collected.

1 **SEC. ____0305. GEOTHERMAL LEASING.**

2 (a) ANNUAL LEASING.—Section 4(b)(2) of the Geo-
3 thermal Steam Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 1003(b)(2)) is
4 amended—

5 (1) by striking “The Secretary” and all that
6 follows through “2 years” and inserting the fol-
7 lowing:

8 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall
9 hold a competitive lease sale not less frequently
10 than annually”; and

11 (2) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(B) REPLACEMENT SALES.—The Sec-
13 retary shall conduct a replacement sale under
14 subparagraph (A) during the same applicable
15 fiscal year if—

16 “(i) a lease sale under that subpara-
17 graph is delayed, cancelled, or deferred, in-
18 cluding for a lack of eligible parcels; or

19 “(ii) during a lease sale under that
20 subparagraph, the percentage of acreage
21 that does not receive a bid is equal to or
22 greater than 50 percent of the total acre-
23 age offered.

24 “(C) REQUIREMENTS.—In conducting a
25 lease sale under subparagraph (A), the Sec-
26 retary shall—

1 “(i) offer all nominated parcels eligi-
2 ble for geothermal development and utiliza-
3 tion under a land use plan developed or re-
4 vised pursuant to section 202 of the Fed-
5 eral Land Policy and Management Act of
6 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712);

7 “(ii) not restrict the parcels offered to
8 1 Bureau of Land Management field office
9 within the applicable State unless all nomi-
10 nated parcels are located within the same
11 Bureau of Land Management field office;

12 “(iii) ensure that any geothermal
13 lease sale required under that subpara-
14 graph is conducted immediately on comple-
15 tion of all applicable requirements for
16 scoping, public comment, and environ-
17 mental analysis under the National Envi-
18 ronmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.
19 4321 et seq.); and

20 “(iv) ensure that the processes de-
21 scribed in clause (iii) are conducted in a
22 timely manner to ensure compliance with
23 this subsection.”.

1 (b) LAND REQUIREMENTS.—Section 3 of the Geo-
2 thermal Steam Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 1002) is amend-
3 ed—

4 (1) by striking “Subject to” and all that follows
5 through “of the Interior” and inserting the fol-
6 lowing:

7 “(a) ISSUANCE OF LEASES.—Subject to section 15,
8 the Secretary”; and

9 (2) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(b) NOMINATION OF PARCELS.—

11 “(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

12 “(A) NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM.—

13 “(i) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘Na-
14 tional Forest System’ means land of the
15 National Forest System (as defined in sec-
16 tion 11(a) of the Forest and Rangeland
17 Renewable Resources Planning Act of
18 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1609(a))) administered
19 by the Secretary of Agriculture, acting
20 through the Chief of the Forest Service.

21 “(ii) EXCLUSION.—The term ‘Na-
22 tional Forest System’ does not include any
23 forest reserve not created from the public
24 domain.

1 “(B) PARCEL OF LAND.—The term ‘parcel
2 of land’ means a parcel of—

3 “(i) public lands (as defined in section
4 103 of the Federal Land Policy and Man-
5 agement Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702));
6 or

7 “(ii) National Forest System land.

8 “(2) AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary shall make
9 available a parcel of land subject to disposition
10 under this Act that is known or believed to contain
11 geothermal resources not later than 18 months after
12 the date on which the Secretary receives an applica-
13 ble nomination form, if the Secretary determines
14 that the parcel of land is open for the development
15 and utilization of geothermal resources under an ap-
16 proved resource management plan that—

17 “(A) is applicable to the planning area in
18 which the parcel of land is located; and

19 “(B) is in effect on the date the applicable
20 nomination form is submitted.

21 “(3) RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLANS.—

22 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A lease issued by the
23 Secretary under this Act with respect to an ap-
24 plicable parcel of land made available for leas-
25 ing—

1 “(i) shall be subject to the terms and
2 conditions of the applicable approved re-
3 source management plan; and

4 “(ii) may not require any stipulations
5 or mitigation requirements not included in
6 that applicable approved resource manage-
7 ment plan.

8 “(B) EFFECT OF AMENDMENT.—The initi-
9 ation of an amendment to an approved resource
10 management plan shall not prevent or delay the
11 Secretary from making the applicable parcel of
12 land available for leasing if the other require-
13 ments of this Act have been met.

14 “(4) SAVINGS CLAUSE.—Nothing in this sub-
15 section affects the availability of leasing of forest re-
16 serves not created from the public domain under
17 subsection (a).”.

18 **SEC. ___ 0306. GEOTHERMAL ROYALTIES.**

19 Section 5(a)(1) of the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970
20 (30 U.S.C. 1004(a)(1)) is amended—

21 (1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A),
22 by inserting “, with respect to an electric generating
23 facility producing electricity” after “that shall be”;
24 and

1 **SEC. ____0402. STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE.**

2 (a) ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT DEFINI-
3 TIONS.—In this section, the terms “related facility”,
4 “storage facility”, and “Strategic Petroleum Reserve”
5 have the meanings given those terms in section 152 of the
6 Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6232).

7 (b) APPROPRIATIONS.—In addition to amounts other-
8 wise available, there is appropriated to the Department
9 of Energy for fiscal year 2025, out of any money in the
10 Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to remain available
11 until September 30, 2029—

12 (1) \$218,000,000 for maintenance of, including
13 repairs to, storage facilities and related facilities of
14 the Strategic Petroleum Reserve; and

15 (2) \$660,500,000 to acquire, by purchase, pe-
16 troleum products for storage in the Strategic Petro-
17 leum Reserve.

18 (c) REPEAL OF STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE
19 DRAWDOWN AND SALE MANDATE.—Section 20003 of
20 Public Law 115–97 (42 U.S.C. 6241 note) is repealed.

21 **SEC. ____0403. REPEALS; RESCISSIONS.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Each of the sections described in
23 subsection (b) are repealed and the unobligated balances
24 of amounts made available under each of those sections
25 (as in effect on the day before the date of enactment of
26 this Act) are rescinded.

1 (b) SECTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sections referred to
2 in subsection (a) are the following sections of Public Law
3 117–169 (commonly known as the “Inflation Reduction
4 Act of 2022”) (136 Stat. 1818):

5 (1) Section 50123 (42 U.S.C. 18795b).

6 (2) Section 50141 (136 Stat. 2042).

7 (3) Section 50142 (136 Stat. 2044).

8 (4) Section 50144 (136 Stat. 2044).

9 (5) Section 50145 (136 Stat. 2045).

10 (6) Section 50151 (42 U.S.C. 18715).

11 (7) Section 50152 (42 U.S.C. 18715a).

12 (8) Section 50153 (42 U.S.C. 18715b).

13 (9) Section 50161 (42 U.S.C. 17113b).

14 (c) ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE REINVESTMENT FI-
15 NANCING.—Section 1706 of the Energy Policy Act of
16 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16517) is repealed and the unobligated
17 balances of amounts made available to carry out that sec-
18 tion (as in effect on the day before the date of enactment
19 of this Act) are rescinded.

20 **SEC. ____0404. ENERGY DOMINANCE FINANCING.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title XVII of the Energy Policy
22 Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16511 et seq.) (as amended by
23 section ____0403) is amended by adding at the end the
24 following:

1 **“SEC. 1706. ENERGY DOMINANCE FINANCING.**

2 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 1703
3 and subject to the provisions of this section, the Secretary
4 may make guarantees, including refinancing, under this
5 section only for projects that—

6 “(1) retool, repower, repurpose, or replace en-
7 ergy infrastructure that has ceased operations; or

8 “(2) enable operating energy infrastructure.

9 “(b) INCLUSION.—A project under subsection (a)
10 may include the remediation of environmental damage as-
11 sociated with energy infrastructure.

12 “(c) APPLICATION.—To apply for a guarantee under
13 this section, an applicant shall submit to the Secretary an
14 application at such time, in such manner, and containing
15 such information as the Secretary may require, includ-
16 ing—

17 “(1) a detailed plan describing the proposed
18 project; and

19 “(2) in the case of an applicant that is an elec-
20 tric utility, an assurance that the electric utility
21 shall pass on any financial benefit from the guar-
22 antee made under this section to the customers of,
23 or associated communities served by, the electric
24 utility.

1 “(d) TERM.—Notwithstanding section 1702(f), the
2 term of an obligation shall require full repayment over a
3 period not to exceed 30 years.

4 “(e) LIMITATIONS.—

5 “(1) CERTIFICATION.—The Secretary may not
6 make a loan guarantee for a project under this sec-
7 tion unless the President has certified in advance, in
8 writing, that the loan guarantee and the project
9 comply with the provisions of this section.

10 “(2) DENIAL OF DOUBLE BENEFIT.—Except as
11 provided in paragraph (3), the Secretary may not
12 make a loan guarantee for a project under this sec-
13 tion for which funds, personnel, or property (tan-
14 gible or intangible) of any Federal agency, instru-
15 mentality, personnel, or affiliated entity are expected
16 to be used (directly or indirectly), including through
17 acquisitions, contracts, demonstrations, exchanges,
18 grants, incentives, leases, procurements, sales, other
19 transaction authority, or any other arrangement to
20 support the project or to obtain goods or services
21 from the project.

22 “(3) EXCEPTION.—The prohibition under para-
23 graph (2) shall not apply to—

24 “(A) projects benefitting from allowable
25 Federal tax benefits;

1 “(B) projects benefitting from being lo-
2 cated on Federal land pursuant to a lease or
3 right-of-way agreement for which all consider-
4 ation for all uses is—

5 “(i) paid exclusively in cash;

6 “(ii) deposited in the Treasury as off-
7 setting receipts; and

8 “(iii) equal to the fair market value;

9 “(C) projects benefitting from the Federal
10 insurance program under section 170 of the
11 Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2210);
12 or

13 “(D) electric generation projects using
14 transmission facilities owned or operated by a
15 Federal power marketing administration or the
16 Tennessee Valley Authority that have been au-
17 thorized, approved, and financed independent of
18 the project receiving the loan guarantee.

19 “(f) DEFINITION OF ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE.—In
20 this section, the term ‘energy infrastructure’ means a fa-
21 cility, and associated equipment, used for enabling the
22 identification, leasing, development, production, proc-
23 essing, transportation, transmission, refining, and genera-
24 tion needed for energy and critical minerals.

- 1 this section shall be reimbursable or subject to matching
- 2 or cost-sharing requirements.