

117TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 5619

To prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from imposing a fee on certain facilities for methane emissions.

---

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 19, 2021

Mr. ESTES (for himself, Mr. ARRINGTON, and Mr. HERN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

---

## A BILL

To prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from imposing a fee on certain facilities for methane emissions.

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 “Marginal Well Protec-  
5 tion Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. METHANE FEE FROM PETROLEUM AND NATURAL**  
7 **GAS SYSTEMS.**

8 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the  
9 owner or operator of a facility that produces less than 15  
10 barrels of oil per day and less than 90 Mcf of natural gas

1 per day shall not be subject to any fee imposed by the  
2 Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency in  
3 connection with reporting methane emissions pursuant to  
4 subpart W of part 98 of title 40, Code of Federal Regula-  
5 tions (or any successor regulations).

○