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Of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the 2023–2028 five-year program for offshore oil and gas leasing.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 22, 2022

Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

RESOLUTION

Of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the 2023–2028 five-year program for offshore oil and gas leasing.

1 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Interior is di-
2 rected to transmit, to the House of Representatives, not
3 later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this
4 resolution, copies of any document, memorandum, cor-
5 respondence, and other communication, or any portion of
6 any such communication, that refers or relates to the
7 2023–2028 five-year program for offshore oil and gas leas-
8 ing, including the following:

1 (1) All documents and communications refer-
2 ring or relating to the proposed program for offshore
3 oil and gas leasing for 2023–2028.

4 (2) All documents and communications refer-
5 ring or relating to compliance with the Outer Conti-
6 nental Shelf Lands Act’s requirement to develop a
7 five-year program for offshore oil and gas leasing.

8 (3) All documents and communications relating
9 to the 2017–2022 five-year program for offshore oil
10 and gas leasing, including—

11 (A) any reference to the decision to cancel
12 or delay planned lease sales;

13 (B) any reference to the decision to not
14 pursue an appeal to the judgment vacating
15 Lease Sale 257; and

16 (C) any reference to the impact of such
17 program’s expiration without the creation of a
18 2023–2028 five-year program for offshore oil
19 and gas leasing.

20 (4) All documents and communications refer-
21 ring or relating to Secretary Debra Haaland’s com-
22 mitment to release a proposed five-year program for
23 offshore oil and gas leasing for 2023–2028 by June
24 30, 2022.

1 (5) All documents and communications relating
2 to funding implications of such proposed program,
3 including—

4 (A) any reference to the Gulf of Mexico
5 Energy Security Act;

6 (B) any reference to the Land and Water
7 Conservation Fund;

8 (C) any reference to the Historic Preserva-
9 tion Fund;

10 (D) any reference to the sale of petroleum
11 products from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve
12 related to the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security
13 Act; and

14 (E) any reference to the general fund of
15 the Treasury of the United States.

16 (6) Any meeting or communication that oc-
17 curred between Secretary Debra Haaland, or her
18 representative, and environmental advocacy groups
19 relating to the 2023–2028 five-year program for off-
20 shore oil and gas leasing.

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