

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: To permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the outer Continental Shelf in the Mid-Atlantic, South Atlantic, and North Atlantic planning areas.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—114th Cong., 2d Sess.**

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To provide for the modernization of the energy policy of the United States, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. MENENDEZ to the amendment (No. \_\_\_\_\_) proposed by Ms. MURKOWSKI

Viz:

1 At the end of subtitle B of title III, add the following:

2 **SEC. 31\_\_\_. PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN**

3 **CERTAIN AREAS OF THE OUTER CONTI-**

4 **NENTAL SHELF.**

5 Section 8 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act

6 (43 U.S.C. 1337) is amended by adding at the end the

7 following:

8 “(q) PROHIBITION OF OIL AND GAS LEASING IN

9 CERTAIN AREAS OF THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF.—

10 Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or any

1 other law, the Secretary of the Interior shall not issue a  
2 lease or any other authorization for the exploration, devel-  
3 opment, or production of oil, natural gas, or any other  
4 mineral in—

5           “(1) the Mid-Atlantic planning area;

6           “(2) the South Atlantic planning area; or

7           “(3) the North Atlantic planning area.”.