

104TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 3670

To extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through fiscal year 1998, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 18, 1996

Mr. SCHAEFER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through fiscal year 1998, and for other purposes.

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. ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT**
4 **AMENDMENTS.**

5 The Energy Policy and Conservation Act is amend-
6 ed—

7 (1) by amending section 166 (42 U.S.C. 6246)
8 to read as follows:

1 “AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

2 “SEC. 166. There are authorized to be appropriated
3 for fiscal years 1996 through 1998 such sums as may be
4 necessary to implement this part.”;

5 (2) in section 181 (42 U.S.C. 6251) by striking
6 “June 30, 1996” both places it appears and insert-
7 ing in lieu thereof “September 30, 1998”; and

8 (3) by adding at the end of section 256(h) (42
9 U.S.C. 6276(h)) “There are authorized to be appro-
10 priated for fiscal years 1996 through 1998 such
11 sums as may be necessary to carry out this part.”;
12 and

13 (4) in section 281 (42 U.S.C. 6285) by striking
14 “June 30, 1996” both places it appears and insert-
15 ing in lieu thereof “September 30, 1998”.

16 **SEC. 2. LIMITATIONS ON SALE OF STRATEGIC PETROLEUM**
17 **RESERVES.**

18 (a) AMENDMENT TO HOUSE RULES.—Clause 5 of
19 Rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives
20 of the One Hundred Fourth Congress is amended by add-
21 ing the following new paragraph at the end:

22 “(e) No bill or joint resolution, amendment, or con-
23 ference report authorizing a sale from the Strategic Petro-
24 leum Reserve other than as provided in section 161(d)(1),
25 (g)(1), and (h)(1) of the Energy Policy and Conservation

1 Act (42 U.S.C. 6241) shall be considered as passed or
2 agreed to unless so determined by a vote of not less than
3 three-fifths of the Members voting.”.

4 (b) EXERCISE OF CONGRESSIONAL RULEMAKING
5 POWER.—This section is enacted by Congress—

6 (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of
7 the House of Representatives and as such paragraph
8 (e) of clause 5 of Rule XXI of the Rules of the
9 House of Representatives of the One Hundred
10 Fourth Congress shall be considered a part of the
11 rules of the House of Representatives and such rules
12 shall supersede other rules only to the extent that
13 they are inconsistent therewith; and

14 (2) with full recognition of the constitutional
15 right of the House of Representatives to change
16 such rules at any time in the same manner and to
17 the same extent as in the case of any other rule of
18 such House.

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