

# H.R. 1 | LOWER ENERGY COSTS ACT

## UNLEASH AMERICAN ENERGY & LOWER COSTS FOR FAMILIES BY:

1. Increasing domestic energy production
2. Reforming the permitting process for all industries
3. Reversing anti-energy policies advanced by the Biden Administration
4. Streamlining energy infrastructure and exports
5. Boosting the production and processing of critical minerals

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H.R. 1—sponsored by Majority Leader Steve Scalise (R-LA) and co-sponsored by Energy and Commerce Chair Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA), Natural Resources Chairman Bruce Westerman (R-AR), and Transportation and Infrastructure Chairman Sam Graves (R-MO)—unleashes American energy and lowers costs for families.

### Unleash American Energy:

- Prohibits President Biden from banning hydraulic fracturing
- Repeals all restrictions on the import and export of natural gas, including LNG
- Prevents liberal states from blocking interstate infrastructure projects
- Repeals President Biden's \$6 billion natural gas tax that would increase energy bills for families
- Rolls back President Biden's \$27 billion EPA slush fund for Democrat special interests
- Disapproves of President Biden's canceling of the Keystone XL pipeline
- Requires the Department of the Interior to resume lease sales on federal lands and waters
- Repeals harmful royalties and fee increases imposed on energy production that drive up prices for families
- Ensures parity in energy revenue sharing for states with onshore and offshore energy development
- Requires publication of the 2023-28 offshore oil and gas lease sales plan/sets deadlines for future 5-year plans

### Reform Broken Permitting Process:

- Reforms the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) permitting process to streamline federal reviews for all sectors of the economy, including at our international borders
- Limits scope of environmental review under NEPA to reasonably foreseeable and economically feasible impacts
- Sets deadlines for completion of NEPA reviews at one year for environmental assessments and two years for environmental impact statements
- Provides certainty by imposing a 120-day deadline on filing litigation on final agency actions concerning energy and mining projects
- Requires that certain low-impact activities and activities in previously studied areas on public lands are not major federal actions under NEPA
- Ends the abuse of the water quality certification process by streamlining the permitting process under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act and limiting review to water quality impacts only
- Enhances America's ability to develop critical energy resources by improving the environmental permitting processes at critical minerals refining and process facilities