110TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2042

To amend the Natural Gas Act to modify a provision relating to the siting, construction, expansion, and operation of liquefied natural gas terminals, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

April 25, 2007

Mr. Ruppersberger (for himself, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Sarbanes, and Mr. Kennedy) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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- 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. SITING, CONSTRUCTION, EXPANSION, AND OP-
- 4 ERATION OF LNG TERMINALS.
- 5 Section 3(e)(1) of the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C.
- 6 717b(e)(1)) is amended—
- 7 (1) by striking "(e)(1) The" and all that follows
- 8 through the end of the first sentence and inserting
- 9 the following:

1	"(e) Siting, Construction, Expansion, and Op-
2	ERATION OF LNG TERMINALS.—
3	"(1) Authority.—
4	"(A) In general.—Subject to subpara-
5	graph (B), the Commission shall approve or
6	deny an application for the siting, construction,
7	expansion, or operation of an LNG terminal.
8	"(B) State concurrence required.—
9	The Commission shall not approve or deny an
10	application under subparagraph (A) without the
11	express concurrence of each State affected by
12	the application."; and
13	(2) in the second sentence, by striking "Ex-
14	cept" and inserting the following:
15	"(C) Effect.—Except".
16	SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT.
17	The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission shall re-
18	quire an applicant for approval, by the Commission under
19	the Natural Gas Act, of the siting, construction, expan-
20	sion, or operation of a liquefied natural gas facility to
21	identify each of their employees or agents that are en-
22	gaged, directly or indirectly, in activities to persuade com-
23	munities of the benefits of such approval. The Commission

- 1 shall maintain a publicly available database listing all such
- 2 employees and agents.

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