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H. R. 3739

To amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to terminate payments to States certified under that Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 20, 2011

Mr. FITZPATRICK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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. TERMINATION OF PAYMENTS TO STATES CER-**
4 **TIFIED UNDER SURFACE MINING CONTROL**
5 **AND RECLAMATION ACT OF 1977.**

6 (a) **TERMINATION OF PAYMENTS.**—Section
7 411(h)(2) of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation
8 Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1240a(h)(2)) is amended to read
9 as follows:

1 “(2) LIMITATION.—No payment shall be made
2 under this subsection to a State or Indian tribe for
3 which a certification is made under subsection (a) in
4 which the Secretary concurs.”.

5 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Such Act is fur-
6 ther amended—

7 (1) in section 402(i)(2) (30 U.S.C. 1232(i)(2)),
8 by striking “paragraphs (1)(A) and (2)(A)” and in-
9 serting “paragraph (1)(A)”; and

10 (2) by amending section 411(h)(1)(D) (30
11 U.S.C. 1240a(h)(1)(D)) to read as follows:

12 “(D) USE OF FUNDS.—A State or Indian
13 tribe shall use any amounts provided under this
14 paragraph for the purposes described in section
15 403.”.

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