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H. R. 6041

To provide that the Secretary of the Interior shall require the disclosure of political contributions as a condition of accepting bids for oil and gas leases of Federal onshore and offshore lands.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. HOLT, and Mr. TONKO) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Obtaining Information
5 Through Leasing on Money and Disclosure Act” or the
6 “OIL Money Disclosure Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INFORMATION REQUIRED BEFORE GRANTING OF**
2 **OIL OR GAS LEASE.**

3 (a) INFORMATION REQUIRED.—The Secretary of the
4 Interior shall issue new oil and gas leases of Federal lands
5 under the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.)
6 and submerged lands under the Outer Continental Shelf
7 Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 et seq.) only to a bidder that
8 has submitted to the Secretary a list containing the date,
9 amount, and recipient of the following for the 5-year pe-
10 riod preceding the submission of the bid to the Secretary:

11 (1) Any payments consisting of a contribution,
12 expenditure, independent expenditure, or disburse-
13 ment for an electioneering communication that is
14 made by the bidder with respect to any election for
15 Federal office.

16 (2) Any disbursement of funds (other than a
17 payment described in paragraph (1)) made by the
18 bidder with the reasonable expectation that the indi-
19 vidual or entity will use the funds to make a pay-
20 ment described in paragraph (1).

21 (b) PUBLICATION.—The Secretary shall publish each
22 list submitted under subsection (a) within 10 days after
23 the date the Secretary receives the list.

24 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section each of the terms
25 “contribution”, “expenditure”, “independent expendi-
26 ture”, “electioneering communication”, “candidate”,

- 1 “election”, and “Federal office” has the meaning given
- 2 such term in the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971
- 3 (2 U.S.C. 431 et seq.).

