

113TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 3684

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 10, 2013

Mrs. CAPITO (for herself, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. LUETKEMEYER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Agriculture, and Science, Space, and Technology, 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

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## 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Listen to Americans  
3 First Act of 2013”.

4 **SEC. 2. NO FOREIGN TRAVEL UNTIL PUBLIC LISTENING**  
5 **SESSIONS ARE CONDUCTED IN STATES THAT**  
6 **RELY ON COAL.**

7 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no Fed-  
8 eral funds may be obligated or expended for any travel  
9 outside of the United States or its territories by the Ad-  
10 ministrator of the Environmental Protection Agency  
11 until—

12 (1) the Environmental Protection Agency con-  
13 ducts public listening sessions on rulemaking tar-  
14 geting carbon dioxide emissions from existing power  
15 plants in each of the 15 States with the highest per-  
16 centage of electricity generated by coal in 2012  
17 (West Virginia, Kentucky, Wyoming, Indiana, Mis-  
18 souri, North Dakota, Utah, Nebraska, New Mexico,  
19 Ohio, Colorado, Kansas, Iowa, Montana, and Wis-  
20 consin); and

21 (2) the Administrator of the Environmental  
22 Protection Agency certifies to the chairman and  
23 ranking member of the Committee on Energy and  
24 Commerce of the House of Representatives and the  
25 chairman and ranking member of the Committee on  
26 Environment and Public Works of the Senate that

1 the 15 public listening sessions described in para-  
2 graph (1) have taken place.

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