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# H. R. 4155

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 5, 2014

Mr. POE of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Fight Russian Energy  
5       Exploitation (FREE) Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. NATURAL GAS EXPORTS TO UKRAINE.**

7       Section 3(c) of the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C.  
8       717b(c)) is amended by inserting “or to the member states  
9       of the European Union or the former Soviet states of

1 Ukraine, Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus,  
2 Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tajikistan,  
3 Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan” after “trade in natural  
4 gas”.

5 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON GLOBAL EXPORTS OF NATURAL GAS**  
6 **PRODUCTION.**

7 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment  
8 of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to Con-  
9 gress a report on the following:

10 (1) The economic policies of foreign countries  
11 with natural gas resources and reserves as such poli-  
12 cies relate to the development and production of  
13 their natural gas resources and reserves and the ex-  
14 tent and status of their natural gas resources and  
15 reserves.

16 (2) The potential to export the natural gas pro-  
17 duction of such foreign countries to the global mar-  
18 ket and the impact of the export of such natural gas  
19 production on the global market.

20 (3) A description of actions taken by the United  
21 States Government to foster natural gas exports to  
22 foreign countries that may have an interest in im-  
23 porting natural gas from the United States.

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