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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. OLSON (for himself, Mr. ASHFORD, Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois, Mr. POMPEO, Mr. COSTA, Mr. LONG, Mr. HARPER, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. BARTON, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. GUTHRIE, Mrs. ELLMERS of North Carolina, and Mr. KNIGHT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services and Energy and Commerce, 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

To authorize the Secretary of Energy to provide technical assistance to the Armed Forces of the United States with respect to ongoing activities of the Armed Forces to address energy resources that are being utilized by the Islamic State or would be beneficial to the Islamic State, and for other purposes.

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 “Energy and American  
3 Security Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

5       It is the sense of Congress that—

6           (1) the United States Government should take  
7       appropriate actions to prohibit energy production by  
8       the Islamic State and the ability of the Islamic State  
9       to find markets for, capitalize on, or profit from rev-  
10      enues related to energy production;

11          (2) such actions should address procurement of  
12      oil and gas equipment, refining, distribution, trans-  
13      portation, technical expertise, and the use of finan-  
14      cial institutions to facilitate such activities;

15          (3) in addition to military actions, such actions  
16      should include cooperation with the Department of  
17      State, the Department of the Treasury, and other  
18      appropriate Federal agencies to undermine the fi-  
19      nances of the Islamic State;

20          (4) energy resources can, and have, become a  
21      means of harming, and financing actions counter to,  
22      the national interests and security of the United  
23      States and its allies, and the Department of Defense  
24      should utilize resources from across the United  
25      States Government, including the Department of

1 Energy and Department of State, to counter the im-  
2 pact of these actions; and

3 (5) the national energy policy of the United  
4 States should include consideration of national secu-  
5 rity.

6 **SEC. 3. ACTIONS WITH RESPECT TO ENERGY RESOURCES**  
7 **BEING UTILIZED BY THE ISLAMIC STATE OR**  
8 **WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO THE ISLAMIC**  
9 **STATE.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Energy is au-  
11 thorized to provide technical assistance to the Armed  
12 Forces of the United States with respect to ongoing activi-  
13 ties of the Armed Forces to address energy resources (in-  
14 cluding both for transportation and electrification pur-  
15 poses) that are being utilized by the Islamic State or  
16 would be beneficial to the Islamic State.

17 (b) TYPES OF ASSISTANCE.—Assistance authorized  
18 under subsection (a) may include the following:

19 (1) Identification of such energy resources and  
20 the revenue such energy resources provide.

21 (2) Identification of methods to hinder, destroy,  
22 or discourage the development, transportation, and  
23 sale of such energy resources.

24 (c) OTHER ACTIONS.—The Secretary of Energy, to  
25 the maximum extent practicable and appropriate, shall

1 make every effort to raise the issue of countering such  
2 energy resources in meetings with officials of foreign gov-  
3 ernments, international organizations, and the private sec-  
4 tor.

5 **SEC. 4. CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING.**

6 The Secretary of Energy (or the Secretary's des-  
7 ignee) shall brief Congress on any significant opportuni-  
8 ties to supplant or undermine the need for energy re-  
9 sources (including both for transportation and electrifica-  
10 tion purposes) that are being utilized by the Islamic State  
11 or would be beneficial to the Islamic State.

12 **SEC. 5. ISLAMIC STATE DEFINED.**

13 In this Act, the term “Islamic State”—

14 (1) means the Islamic State or any immediate  
15 successor organization; and

16 (2) includes any affiliate thereof.

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