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# H. R. 1391

To provide regulatory relief for conventional marginally producing oil and gas wells from the Environmental Protection Agency’s “Methane Rule”.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 27, 2019

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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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 “Methane Rule Relief  
5 Act of 2019”.

6 **SEC. 2. APPLICATION OF METHANE RULE.**

7 The final rule titled “Oil and Natural Gas Sector:  
8 Emission Standards for New, Reconstructed, and Modi-  
9 fied Sources” (81 Fed. Reg. 35824, June 3, 2016), and  
10 the document titled “Control Techniques Guidelines for

1 the Oil and Natural Gas Industry’’ (October 2016), pub-  
2 lished by the Environmental Protection Agency, shall not  
3 apply with respect to—

4           (1) any oil well that has a maximum daily aver-  
5           age oil production, during any 12-month consecutive  
6           time period, that does not exceed 15 barrels of oil  
7           per day;

8           (2) any natural gas well that has a maximum  
9           daily average gas production, during any 12-month  
10          consecutive time period, that does not exceed 90,000  
11          cubic feet per day; or

12          (3) any emissions source covered by the rule  
13          that is associated with an oil well described in para-  
14          graph (1) or a natural gas well described in para-  
15          graph (2).

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