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H. R. 5814

To adapt to changing crude oil market conditions.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 9, 2014

Mr. BARTON (for himself and Mr. BRIDENSTINE) 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

To adapt to changing crude oil market conditions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. FINDINGS.

The Congress finds that—

(1) the United States has enjoyed a renaissance in energy production, establishing the United States as the world's leading oil producer;

(2) the United States upholds a commitment to free trade and open markets and has consistently

opposed attempts by other nations to restrict the free flow of energy; and

(3) the United States should remove all restrictions on the export of crude oil, which will provide domestic economic benefits, enhanced energy security, and flexibility in foreign diplomacy.

SEC. 2. REPEAL.

Section 103 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6212) and the item relating thereto in the table of contents of that Act are repealed.

SEC. 3. NATIONAL POLICY ON OIL EXPORT RESTRICTION.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, to promote the efficient exploration, production, storage, supply, marketing, pricing, and regulation of energy resources, including fossil fuels, no official of the Federal Government shall impose or enforce any restriction on the export of crude oil.

SEC. 4. STUDY AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Energy shall conduct a study and transmit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate rec-

1 ommendations on the appropriate size, composition, and
2 purpose of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

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