Public Law 98-529
98th Congress

An Act

To remove an impediment to oil and gas leasing of certain Federal lands in Corpus Christi, Texas, and Port Hueneme, California, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding section 3 of the Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands (30 U.S.C. 352), the fact that acquired lands are incorporated into and a part of the city of Corpus Christi, Texas, or the city of Port Hueneme, California, shall not prevent the leasing of such lands: Provided, That prior to any such leasing the Department of the Interior must do a detailed reevaluation to determine if the lands are within a known geologic structure, by the Secretary of the Interior for oil or gas exploration and extraction, and such lands shall be available for such leasing as if they were not in an incorporated city, except that no such leasing activity shall proceed without the permission of the appropriate city.


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