

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 263
OFFERED BY MR. GRAVES OF LOUISIANA**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SEC. 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Cajun Public Safety
3 Act”.

4 SEC. 2. OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES.

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior shall
6 conduct all oil and gas lease sales described in the 2017–
7 2022 Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Pro-
8 posed Final Program (November 2016), developed under
9 section 18 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43
10 U.S.C. 1344), that have not been conducted as of the date
11 of enactment of this Act by not later than December 31,
12 2022, including lease sales 258, 259, and 261.

13 (b) LEASE SALE 257.—

14 (1) COMPLIANCE WITH THE NATIONAL ENVI-
15 RONMENTAL POLICY ACT OF 1969.—The final envi-
16 ronmental impact statement for lease sale 257 shall
17 be deemed to satisfy the requirements related to de-
18 tailed statements under section 102(2)(C) of the Na-

1 tional Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.
2 4332(2)(C)) for such lease sale.

3 (2) DEADLINE TO ISSUE LEASES.—Notwith-
4 standing any outstanding actions to complete bid
5 adequacy review procedures, the Secretary of the In-
6 terior shall issue the leases won on November 17,
7 2021, under lease sale 257 not later than 6 months
8 after the date of enactment of this section.

9 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATE-
11 MENT FOR LEASE SALE 257.—The term “final envi-
12 ronmental impact statement for lease sale 257”
13 means the final environmental impact statement
14 that is the subject of the notice of availability of a
15 final environmental impact statement entitled “Final
16 Environmental Impact Statement for Outer Conti-
17 nental Shelf, Gulf of Mexico, 2017–2022 Oil and
18 Gas Lease Sales 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 256,
19 257, 259, and 261” and published by the Bureau of
20 Ocean Energy Management on March 10, 2017 (82
21 Fed. Reg. 13363).

22 (2) LEASE SALE 257.—The term “lease sale
23 257” means the lease sale 257 that is the subject of
24 the final notice of sale entitled “Gulf of Mexico
25 Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Lease Sale

1 257” and published by the Bureau of Ocean Energy
2 Management on October 4, 2021 (86 Fed. Reg.
3 54728).

