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2D SESSION

H. R. 6474

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 25, 2024

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources

AN ACT

To amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to expedite geo-
thermal exploration and development in previously stud-
ied or developed areas.

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. NEPA REVIEW.**

2 Section 390 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42
3 U.S.C. 15942) is amended—

4 (1) in subsection (a), by inserting “, or the
5 Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 1001 et
6 seq.) for the purpose of exploration or development
7 of geothermal resources” after “or gas”; and

8 (2) in subsection (b)—

9 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “or gas”
10 and inserting “, gas, or geothermal”; and

11 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “or gas”
12 and inserting “, gas, or geothermal”.

Passed the House of Representatives September 24,
2024.

Attest:

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,

Clerk.