

112TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2946

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 15, 2011

Mr. COHEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 “American Coastal
5 Waters and Shorelines Protection Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENT FOR VESSELS**
2 **USED FOR OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS DRILL-**
3 **ING.**

4 Subsection (d) of section 12111 of title 46, United
5 States Code, is amended—

6 (1) in the subsection heading, by striking “MO-
7 BILE OFFSHORE DRILLING UNIT” and inserting
8 “OFFSHORE DRILLING”;

9 (2) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “or” after
10 the semicolon;

11 (3) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking the period
12 and inserting “; or”; and

13 (4) by adding at the end of paragraph (1) the
14 following new subparagraph:

15 “(C) drilling for oil or gas in ocean waters
16 subject to the jurisdiction of the United States,
17 or support of such drilling.”.

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