

Calendar No. 239

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION**S. 3459**

To prohibit a Federal agency from promulgating any rule or guidance that bans hydraulic fracturing in the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 10, 2022

Mr. CRAMER introduced the following bill; which was read the first time

JANUARY 18, 2022

Read the second time and placed on the calendar

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. PROHIBITION ON PROMULGATING ANY RULE**
2 **OR GUIDANCE THAT BANS HYDRAULIC FRAC-**
3 **TURING IN THE UNITED STATES.**

4 (a) **DEFINITION OF HYDRAULIC FRACTURING.**—In
5 this section, the term “hydraulic fracturing” means a
6 process that—

7 (1) stimulates or increases the production and
8 ultimate recovery of oil or natural gas from a well
9 by pumping a fluid and a proppant (such as sand
10 or similar material) at high pressure into a well to
11 create fractures in the reservoir that the proppant
12 holds open; and

13 (2) increases the surface of the formation avail-
14 able for oil and natural gas to flow into the wellbore.

15 (b) **PROHIBITION.**—No Federal agency may propose,
16 implement, or finalize a rule or guidance that bans hy-
17 draulic fracturing in the United States.

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