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Trio of Energy Bills First Steps to Lower Prices for American Families, Create Jobs, Reduce Foreign Dependence

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, as part of the American Energy Initiative, the House of Representatives is poised to pass H.R. 1231, the third in a trio of bipartisan bills passed by the House and introduced by Natural Resources Committee Chairman Doc Hastings (WA-04) to increase American offshore energy production, create jobs and reduce dependence on foreign energy. H.R. 1230 passed the House on [May 5, 2011](#) and H.R. 1229 passed the House on [May 11, 2011](#).

“The House Republican majority has responded to the American people’s call for lower gasoline prices, more jobs and reduced dependence on unstable foreign energy. Increased supply in American made energy, not higher taxes, will bring prices down. These three bills are the first steps in Republicans’ efforts to foster low-cost, reliable American made energy that will help families across the country who are struggling to keep up with rising costs,” **said Chairman Hastings.** *“All three bills earned bipartisan support and it’s now the Senate’s turn to take action and send them to President Obama as soon as possible. However, our work is just beginning. The Natural Resources Committee will act on an array of all-of-the-above energy bills that will focus on expanding all types of American energy.”*

Additional American Energy Initiative bills from the Natural Resources Committee will focus on wind, solar, hydropower, critical minerals, coal, and onshore oil and natural gas development in the coming months.

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