

HR 6285

Alaska’s Right to Produce Act of 2023

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Energy

**Introduced:** Nov 8, 2023

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (May 2, 2024)

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Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Stauber, Pete [R-MN-8]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** MN • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (16 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Hern, Kevin [R-OK-1]	R · OK		Nov 8, 2023
Rep. Peltola, Mary Sattler [D-AK-At Large]	D · AK		Nov 8, 2023
Rep. Pfluger, August [R-TX-11]	R · TX		Nov 8, 2023
Del. Radewagen, Aumua Amata Coleman [R-AS-At Large]	R · AS		Nov 21, 2023
Rep. Bergman, Jack [R-MI-1]	R · MI		Nov 21, 2023
Rep. Bice, Stephanie I. [R-OK-5]	R · OK		Nov 21, 2023
Rep. Grothman, Glenn [R-WI-6]	R · WI		Nov 21, 2023
Rep. Harshbarger, Diana [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Nov 21, 2023
Rep. Miller, Mary E. [R-IL-15]	R · IL		Nov 21, 2023
Rep. Moolenaar, John R. [R-MI-2]	R · MI		Nov 21, 2023
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Nov 21, 2023
Rep. Scott, Austin [R-GA-8]	R · GA		Nov 21, 2023
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Nov 21, 2023
Rep. Burlison, Eric [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Nov 28, 2023
Rep. Carey, Mike [R-OH-15]	R · OH		Nov 28, 2023
Rep. Tenney, Claudia [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Nov 28, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 2, 2024
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Dec 6, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Energy

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 8214	Related bill	<b>May 1, 2024:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.
118 HRES 1173	Related bill	<b>Apr 30, 2024:</b> Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
118 S 3289	Identical bill	<b>Nov 9, 2023:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Summary (as of May 1, 2024)

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This bill provides for oil and gas leases in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR).

Specifically, the bill nullifies any order or action by the President or the Department of the Interior that places a moratorium on, suspends, or otherwise pauses leasing in ANWR's 1002 Area. It also ratifies and approves all authorizations and permits issued for the establishment and administration of the Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program. The Environmental Protection Agency and other applicable federal departments and agencies must process, reinstate, or continue to maintain such authorizations and permits.

Within 30 days of the bill's enactment, Interior must accept bids for certain ANWR leases that were canceled and reissue the leases. The bill states that the reissued leases must be considered to meet the requirements of specified existing laws, such as the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

By December 22, 2024, Interior must also conduct a second lease sale. Further, the bill limits the authority of the President and Interior to cancel future leases issued under the program.

The bill also directs the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to withdraw its *Notice of Availability of the Draft Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement*. It also nullifies (1) BLM's final rule based on the proposed rule titled *Management and Protection of the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska* (NPR-A), (2) Section 4 of Executive Order 13990, and (3) Secretarial Order 3401.

In addition, BLM must obtain congressional approval prior to designating any new protected Special Areas, adding resource values to existing Special Areas, or expanding existing Special Areas in the NPR-A.

Finally, the bill limits judicial review of approvals of leases under the Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program.

## Actions Timeline

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- **May 2, 2024:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **May 1, 2024:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 1173. (consideration: CR H2804-2814)
- **May 1, 2024:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 615, H.R. 2925, H.R. 3195, H.R. 764, H.R. 3397, H.R. 6285 and H.R. 6090. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 615, H.R. 2925, H.R. 3195, H.R. 764, H.R. 3397, and H.R. 6090 under a closed rule, and H.R. 6285 under a structured rule. The rule provides for one hour of general debate and one motion to recommit on each bill.
- **May 1, 2024:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 6285.
- **May 1, 2024:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H.Res. 1173, the House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Stauber amendment No. 1.
- **May 1, 2024:** Ms. Castor (FL) moved to recommit to the Committee on Natural Resources. (text: CR H2813-2814)
- **May 1, 2024:** The previous question on the motion to recommit was ordered pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XIX.
- **May 1, 2024:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on H.R. 6285, the Chair put the question on the motion to recommit and by voice vote announced that the noes had prevailed. Ms. Castor (FL) demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings until a time to be announced.
- **May 1, 2024:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H2814-2816)
- **May 1, 2024:** On motion to recommit Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 201 - 211 (Roll no. 173).
- **May 1, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 214 - 199, 2 Present (Roll no. 174). (text: CR H2804-2805)
- **May 1, 2024:** On passage Passed by recorded vote: 214 - 199, 2 Present (Roll no. 174). (text: CR H2804-2805)
- **May 1, 2024:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 29, 2024:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 1173 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 615, H.R. 2925, H.R. 3195, H.R. 764, H.R. 3397, H.R. 6285 and H.R. 6090. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 615, H.R. 2925, H.R. 3195, H.R. 764, H.R. 3397, and H.R. 6090 under a closed rule, and H.R. 6285 under a structured rule. The rule provides for one hour of general debate and one motion to recommit on each bill.
- **Apr 15, 2024:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 118-463.
- **Apr 15, 2024:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 384.
- **Dec 6, 2023:** Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources Discharged
- **Dec 6, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Dec 6, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 24 - 17.
- **Nov 29, 2023:** Subcommittee Hearings Held
- **Nov 28, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
- **Nov 8, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 8, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.