

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT  
FOR H.R. 4899  
OFFERED BY MR. SANFORD OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

At the end of title I add the following:

1 **Subtitle H—Extension of State Ju-**  
2 **isdiction Over Submerged**  
3 **Lands**

4 **SEC. 10801. SHORT TITLE.**

5 This subtitle may be cited as the “Coastal States Ex-  
6 tension Act of 2014”.

7 **SEC. 10802. FINDINGS.**

8 The Congress finds as follows:

9 (1) In Executive Proclamation 5928, issued on  
10 December 27, 1988, the President extended the  
11 boundaries of the territorial sea of the United States  
12 from 3 nautical miles to 12 nautical miles in accord-  
13 ance with international law. However, the Proclama-  
14 tion did not adequately address the effect of the ex-  
15 tension on the territorial jurisdiction of the States.

16 (2) The coastal States have, with few excep-  
17 tions, jurisdiction over the land, air, water, and re-  
18 sources within their boundaries, which in most cases  
19 extend out into the oceans 3 nautical miles.

1           (3) The Great Lake States have jurisdiction  
2           over the land, air, water, and resources of their off-  
3           shore areas up to the border with Canada, which can  
4           range from 11 to 80 nautical miles from the coast  
5           line.

6           (4) Some Gulf of Mexico States have jurisdic-  
7           tion over the land, air, water, and resources of their  
8           offshore areas out to 10.4 nautical miles from their  
9           coast line.

10          (5) The coastal States—

11               (A) have consistently demonstrated an  
12               ability to manage ocean resources within their  
13               jurisdiction in a manner consistent with the in-  
14               terests of both the Nation and the coastal  
15               States;

16               (B) have demonstrated both experience  
17               and skill at balancing protection, conservation,  
18               and utilization of the living and nonliving re-  
19               sources of the ocean; and

20               (C) are better equipped than the Federal  
21               Government, in terms of fiscal resources and  
22               administrative abilities, to manage oil and nat-  
23               ural gas resources within 12 nautical miles of  
24               their coast line.

1 **SEC. 10803. EXTENSION OF STATE JURISDICTION OVER**  
2 **SUBMERGED LANDS.**

3 The Submerged Lands Act is amended—

4 (1) in section 2(a)(2) (43 U.S.C. 1301(a)(2))  
5 by striking out “three geographical miles” the first  
6 place it appears and all that follows through “be-  
7 yond three geographical miles,” and inserting “12  
8 nautical miles distant from the coast line of each  
9 such State;”;

10 (2) in section 2(b) (43 U.S.C. 1301(b))—

11 (A) by striking out “they existed” and all  
12 that follows through “extended or” and insert-  
13 ing in lieu thereof “approved and”; and

14 (B) by striking out “three geographical”  
15 and all that follows through “Mexico” and in-  
16 serting “12 nautical miles or, in the case of the  
17 Great Lakes, farther than to the international  
18 boundary”; and

19 (3) in section 4 (43 U.S.C. 1312)—

20 (A) in the first sentence—

21 (i) by striking out “original coastal  
22 State” and inserting “coastal State admit-  
23 ted to the Union before the date of enact-  
24 ment of the Coastal States Extension Act  
25 of 2014”; and

1 (ii) by striking out “three geo-  
2 graphical” and inserting “12 nautical”;  
3 and

4 (B) in the second sentence by striking  
5 “formation” and all that follows through the  
6 end of the section and inserting “date of enact-  
7 ment of the Coastal States Extension Act of  
8 2014 may assert its seaward boundaries to a  
9 line 12 nautical miles distant from its coast  
10 line.”.

11 **SEC. 10804. DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN OIL AND NATURAL**  
12 **GAS LEASES IN STATE SUBMERGED LANDS.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Any oil lease and natural gas  
14 lease executed by the Secretary of the Interior under the  
15 Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 and  
16 following) that is in effect on the date of the enactment  
17 of this Act covering an area within lands transferred to  
18 States under section 3 shall remain in full force and effect  
19 until it expires pursuant to its terms or is cancelled pursu-  
20 ant to the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act. Subject to  
21 subsection (b), upon the expiration or cancellation of such  
22 a lease, the State in whose territory the leased area is situ-  
23 ated shall have the authority to grant oil and natural  
24 leases in such area.

1           (b) PROHIBITION ON USE OF LEASE PROCEEDS FOR  
2 COASTAL ZONE DEVELOPMENT.—A State may not grant  
3 a lease in the area transferred to the State under that  
4 section until the Secretary of Commerce determines that  
5 the State has an approved program or is making satisfac-  
6 tory progress in developing a program under section 306  
7 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C.  
8 1455).

9           (c) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section—

10           (1) the term “lease” has the meaning given  
11 that term in section 2(c) of the Outer Continental  
12 Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331(c)); and

13           (2) the term “coastal zone” has the meaning  
14 given that term in section 304(1) of the Coastal  
15 Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1453(1)).

