

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT  
FOR H.R. 8**

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At the end of the bill, add the following:

1 **TITLE VII—CHANGING CRUDE**  
2 **OIL MARKET CONDITIONS**

3 **SEC. 7001. FINDINGS.**

4 The Congress finds the following:

5 (1) The United States has enjoyed a renaiss-  
6 sance in energy production, establishing the United  
7 States as the world's leading oil producer.

8 (2) By authorizing crude oil exports, the Con-  
9 gress can spur domestic energy production, create  
10 and preserve jobs, help maintain and strengthen our  
11 independent shipping fleet that is essential to na-  
12 tional defense, and generate State and Federal reve-  
13 nues.

14 (3) An energy-secure United States that is a  
15 net exporter of energy has the potential to transform  
16 the security environment around the world, notably  
17 in Europe and the Middle East.

1           (4) For our European allies and Israel, the  
2 presence of more United States oil in the market  
3 will offer more secure supply options, which will  
4 strengthen United States strategic alliances and help  
5 curtail the use of energy as a political weapon.

6           (5) The 60-ship Maritime Security Fleet is a  
7 vital element of our military's strategic sealift and  
8 global response capability. It assures United States-  
9 flag ships and United States crews will be available  
10 to support the United States military when it needs  
11 to mobilize to protect our allies, and is the most pru-  
12 dent and economical solution to meet current and  
13 projected sealift requirements for the United States.

14           (6) The Maritime Security Fleet program pro-  
15 vides a labor base of skilled American mariners who  
16 are available to crew the United States Government-  
17 owned strategic sealift fleet, as well as the United  
18 States commercial fleet, in both peace and war.

19           (7) The United States has reduced its oil con-  
20 sumption over the past decade, and increasing in-  
21 vestment in clean energy technology and energy effi-  
22 ciency will lower energy prices, reduce greenhouse  
23 gas emissions, and increase national security.

1 **SEC. 7002. REPEAL.**

2 Section 103 of the Energy Policy and Conservation  
3 Act (42 U.S.C. 6212) and the item relating thereto in the  
4 table of contents of that Act are repealed.

5 **SEC. 7003. NATIONAL POLICY ON OIL EXPORT RESTRIC-**  
6 **TIONS.**

7 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, to pro-  
8 mote the efficient exploration, production, storage, supply,  
9 marketing, pricing, and regulation of energy resources, in-  
10 cluding fossil fuels, no official of the Federal Government  
11 shall impose or enforce any restriction on the export of  
12 crude oil.

13 **SEC. 7004. STUDIES.**

14 (a) GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS.—Not later than  
15 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
16 retary of Energy shall conduct, and transmit to the Com-  
17 mittee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Rep-  
18 resentatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural  
19 Resources of the Senate the results of, a study on the net  
20 greenhouse gas emissions that will result from the repeal  
21 of the crude oil export ban under section 7002.

22 (b) CRUDE OIL EXPORT STUDY.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Department of Com-  
24 merce, in consultation with the Department of En-  
25 ergy, and other departments as appropriate, shall  
26 conduct a study of the State and national implica-

1 tions of lifting the crude oil export ban with respect  
2 to consumers and the economy.

3 (2) CONTENTS.—The study conducted under  
4 paragraph (1) shall include an analysis of—

5 (A) the economic impact that exporting  
6 crude oil will have on the economy of the  
7 United States;

8 (B) the economic impact that exporting  
9 crude oil will have on consumers, taking into  
10 account impacts on energy prices;

11 (C) the economic impact that exporting  
12 crude oil will have on domestic manufacturing,  
13 taking into account impacts on employment;  
14 and

15 (D) the economic impact that exporting  
16 crude oil will have on the refining sector, taking  
17 into account impacts on employment.

18 (3) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1  
19 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Bu-  
20 reau of Industry and Security shall submit to Con-  
21 gress a report containing the results of the study  
22 conducted under paragraph (1).

23 **SEC. 7005. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

24 Nothing in this title limits the authority of the Presi-  
25 dent under the Constitution, the International Emergency

1 Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), the Na-  
2 tional Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), part B  
3 of title II of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42  
4 U.S.C. 6271 et seq.), the Trading With the Enemy Act  
5 (50 U.S.C. App. 1 et seq.), or any other provision of law  
6 that imposes sanctions on a foreign person or foreign gov-  
7 ernment (including any provision of law that prohibits or  
8 restricts United States persons from engaging in a trans-  
9 action with a sanctioned person or government), including  
10 a foreign government that is designated as a state sponsor  
11 of terrorism, to prohibit exports.

12 **SEC. 7006. PARTNERSHIPS WITH MINORITY SERVING INSTI-**  
13 **TUTIONS.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Department of Energy shall  
15 continue to develop and broaden partnerships with minor-  
16 ity serving institutions, including Hispanic Serving Insti-  
17 tutions (HSI) and Historically Black Colleges and Univer-  
18 sities (HBCUs) in the areas of oil and gas exploration,  
19 production, midstream, and refining.

20 (b) PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS.—The Depart-  
21 ment of Energy shall encourage public-private partner-  
22 ships between the energy sector and minority serving insti-  
23 tutions, including Hispanic Serving Institutions and His-  
24 torically Black Colleges and Universities.

1 **SEC. 7007. REPORT.**

2 Not later than 10 years after the date of enactment  
3 of this Act, the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary  
4 of Commerce shall jointly transmit to Congress a report  
5 that reviews the impact of lifting the oil export ban under  
6 this title as it relates to promoting United States energy  
7 and national security.

8 **SEC. 7008. REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

9 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment  
10 of this Act, the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary  
11 of Commerce shall jointly transmit to Congress a report  
12 analyzing how lifting the ban on crude oil exports will help  
13 create opportunities for veterans and women in the United  
14 States, while promoting energy and national security.

15 **SEC. 7009. PROHIBITION ON EXPORTS OF CRUDE OIL, RE-**  
16 **FINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, AND PETRO-**  
17 **CHEMICAL PRODUCTS TO THE ISLAMIC RE-**  
18 **PUBLIC OF IRAN.**

19 Nothing in this title shall be construed to authorize  
20 the export of crude oil, refined petroleum products, and  
21 petrochemical products by or through any entity or per-  
22 son, wherever located, subject to the jurisdiction of the  
23 United States to any entity or person located in, subject  
24 to the jurisdiction of, or sponsored by the Islamic Republic  
25 of Iran.

