

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5538, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. FLEMING OF LOUISIANA**

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert
the following:

1 SEC. _____. None of the funds made available by this
2 Act may be used by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Manage-
3 ment to finalize, implement, or enforce any update or in-
4 terpretation of, or guidance regarding, the financial assur-
5 ance requirements under section 556.53 of title 30, Code
6 of Federal Regulations, for oil and natural gas develop-
7 ment on the Outer Continental Shelf that is—

8 (1) issued after August 18, 2014;

9 (2) generally applicable, with respect to all simi-
10 larly situated lessees; and

11 (3) not promulgated in accordance with the re-
12 quirements that apply under chapter 5 of title 5,
13 United States Code, (popularly known as the Admin-
14 istrative Procedures Act) to the issuance or promul-
15 gation of regulations, including requirements for the
16 provision of notice and public comment.

