

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1231, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. CUELLAR OF TEXAS**

Add at the end the following new section:

1 **SEC. ____ . PROTECTION OF THE COASTAL ENVIRONMENT,**
2 **MARINE ENVIRONMENT, AND HUMAN ENVI-**
3 **RONMENT.**

4 Under this Act the Secretary of the Interior shall en-
5 sure that all drilling authorized under the underlying legis-
6 lation is conducted in a manner that protects the coastal
7 environment, marine environment, and human environ-
8 ment of State coastal areas and the Outer Continental
9 Shelf. This Act shall not be construed to modify any other-
10 wise applicable environmental law.

