AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1229, AS ORDERED REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. CUMMINGS OF MARYLAND

Page 7, after line 20, at the end of title I add the following new section:

SEC. ___. REQUIREMENT TO USE U.S. VESSELS.

Beginning January 1, 2012, the Secretary of the Interior shall include in each lease and each permit authorizing exploration, development, or production of oil and gas resources of the Outer Continental Shelf within the exclusive economic zone of the United States terms that require that only a vessel for which a certificate of documentation with a registry endorsement is issued and that is owned by a citizen of the United States (as determined under section 50501(d) of title 46, United States Code) may engage in support of activities under the lease or permit, respectively, to the extent that the regulation of such activity is not prohibited under customary international law.