

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT  
FOR H.R. 4909  
OFFERED BY MR. GARAMENDI OF CALIFORNIA**

At the end of section 1090, add the following sub-  
sections:

1       (c) NATIONAL POLICY ON STRATEGIC ENERGY  
2 ASSET EXPORT TRANSPORTATION.—Section 3 of the Nat-  
3 ural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. 717b) is further amended by add-  
4 ing at the end the following:

5       “(h) NATIONAL POLICY ON STRATEGIC ENERGY  
6 ASSET EXPORT TRANSPORTATION.—

7           “(1) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

8                   “(A) LNG is an explosive gas that can be  
9                   hazardous to national import and export termi-  
10                   nals and ports when mishandled.

11                   “(B) LNG is a strategic national asset, the  
12                   export of which will be used to preserve the  
13                   United States tanker fleet and skilled mariner  
14                   workforce that are essential to national secu-  
15                   rity.

16                   “(C) For the safety and security of the  
17                   United States, LNG should be exported on ves-

1           sels documented under the laws of the United  
2           States.

3           “(2) REQUIREMENT.—

4                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—As a condition for ap-  
5           proval of any authorization to export LNG, the  
6           Secretary of Energy shall require the applicant  
7           to transport the authorized exports on vessels  
8           documented under the laws of the United  
9           States, as follows:

10                   “(i) 15 percent of the LNG author-  
11           ized to be exported in each of 2020, 2021,  
12           2022, 2023, and 2024.

13                   “(ii) 30 percent of the LNG author-  
14           ized to be exported in 2025 and each year  
15           thereafter.

16                   “(B) WAIVER.—If the United States Mari-  
17           time Administration determines that no United  
18           States-flag vessels are available to satisfy the  
19           applicable requirement under subparagraph (A),  
20           the requirement is waived for one year from the  
21           date of such determination.”.

22           (d) OPPORTUNITIES FOR LICENSED AND UNLI-  
23           CENSED MARINERS.—Each Federal official responsible  
24           for the issuance of a permit authorizing the export of LNG  
25           shall require, as a condition and term of the permit, that

- 1 the permittee shall provide opportunities for United States
- 2 licensed and unlicensed mariners to receive experience and
- 3 training necessary for them to become credentialed in
- 4 working on an LNG vessel.

