

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7176
OFFERED BY MR. PERRY OF PENNSYLVANIA

Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . EXEMPTION FROM COASTWISE LAWS FOR VES-**
2 **SLS TRANSPORTING LIQUEFIED NATURAL**
3 **GAS.**

4 (a) GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.—Sec-
5 tion 12103 of title 46, United States Code, is amended
6 by adding at the end the following:

7 “(d) EXCEPTION FOR VESSELS TRANSPORTING LIQ-
8 UEFIED NATURAL GAS.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsection
10 (a), a certificate of documentation may be issued
11 under this chapter for any vessel transporting meth-
12 ane, refrigerated liquid, commonly known as lique-
13 fied natural gas.

14 “(2) CERTAIN VESSELS EXCLUDED.—Para-
15 graph (1) shall not apply to—

16 “(A) a vessel that is owned, in whole or in
17 part, by—

18 “(i) a Russian national; or

19 “(ii) the Government of the Russian
20 Federation;

1 “(B) a Russian-flagged vessel; or

2 “(C) a vessel for which any crewmember is
3 a Russian national.”.

4 (b) COASTWISE ENDORSEMENT.—Section
5 12112(a)(2)(B) of title 46, United States Code, is amend-
6 ed—

7 (1) in clause (ii) by striking “or” at the end;

8 (2) in clause (iii) by striking “and” at the end
9 and inserting “or”; and

10 (3) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(iv) transports methane, refrigerated liq-
12 uid, commonly known as liquefied natural gas;
13 and”.

