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# H. R. 676

To exempt Federal actions related to energy and mineral activities on certain Federal lands from the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 23, 2025

Ms. HAGEMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. NEPA EXEMPTION FOR FEDERAL ACTIONS RE-**  
4 **LATED TO ENERGY AND MINERAL ACTIVITIES**  
5 **ON CERTAIN FEDERAL LANDS.**

6 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the fol-  
7 lowing shall not be considered a major Federal action  
8 under section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental  
9 Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C)):

1           (1) Issuing, granting, or renewing a lease, ease-  
2           ment, or right-of-way under the Mineral Leasing Act  
3           (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.) for the exploration, develop-  
4           ment, or production of oil, gas, or coal.

5           (2) Issuing, granting, or renewing a permit or  
6           other authorization under the Mining Law of 1872  
7           (30 U.S.C. 22 et seq.) for the exploration, location,  
8           development, or extraction of a critical mineral on  
9           land that is open to mineral entry.

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