

111TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. 3346

To increase the limits on liability under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 11, 2010

Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. MENENDEZ) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Outer Continental  
5 Shelf Lands Act Amendments Act of 2010”.

6 **SEC. 2. REMEDIES AND PENALTIES UNDER THE OUTER**  
7 **CONTINENTAL SHELF LANDS ACT.**

8 (a) CIVIL PENALTIES.—Section 24(b) of the Outer  
9 Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1350(b)) is  
10 amended—

1           (1) in the first sentence of paragraph (1), by  
2 striking “\$20,000” and inserting “\$75,000”; and

3           (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “may be as-  
4 sessed” and inserting “of not more than \$150,000  
5 for each day of the continuance of the failure shall  
6 be assessed”; and

7           (b) CRIMINAL PENALTIES.—The first sentence of  
8 section 24(c) of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act  
9 (43 U.S.C. 1350(c)) is amended by striking “\$100,000”  
10 and inserting “\$10,000,000”.

11          (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
12 subsection (a) take effect on April 15, 2010.

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