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2D SESSION

H. R. 5859

To amend the Mineral Leasing Act to require that a portion of revenues from new Federal mineral and geothermal leases be paid to States for use to supplement the education of students in kindergarten through grade 12 and public support of institutions of higher education, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 17, 2018

Mr. TIPTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Education and Energy
3 Act of 2018”.

4 **SEC. 2. USE OF REVENUES FROM NEW FEDERAL MINERAL
5 AND GEOTHERMAL LEASES FOR PAYMENTS
6 TO STATE FOR EDUCATION.**

7 Section 35(a) of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C.
8 191) is amended by inserting “(1)” before the first sen-
9 tence, and by adding at the end the following new para-
10 graph:

11 “(2)(A) Of amounts otherwise required under
12 paragraph (1) to be deposited into the general fund
13 of the Treasury each fiscal year that are derived
14 from leases for tracts located in a State, the Sec-
15 retary shall pay to the State 33 percent for use to
16 supplement the education of students in kinder-
17 garten through grade 12 and to supplement public
18 support of institutions of higher education.

19 “(B) Of the amounts otherwise required under
20 paragraph (1) to be deposited into the general fund
21 of the Treasury each fiscal year that are not re-
22 quired to be used for payments under subparagraph
23 (A) of this paragraph, the Secretary shall pay to
24 States, in equal amounts, 17 percent for use to sup-
25 plement the education of students in kindergarten

1 through grade 12 and to supplement public support
2 of institutions of higher education.

3 “(C) Subparagraphs (A) and (B) shall apply
4 only with respect to amounts that—

5 “(i) are received by the United States under
6 leases entered into under this Act or the Geothermal
7 Steam Act of 1970 after the date of enactment of
8 the Education and Energy Act of 2018; and

9 “(ii) exceed the amount of revenues that the
10 Congressional Budget Office previously estimated
11 would be received under such leases in the fiscal
12 year.

13 “(D) Subparagraphs (A) and (B) shall not
14 apply with respect to amounts required by para-
15 graph (1) to be paid into, reserved, appropriated, as
16 part of the reclamation fund.”.

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