

113TH CONGRESS  
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# S. 812

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to take actions to implement the Agreement between the United States of America and the United Mexican States Concerning Transboundary Hydrocarbon Reservoirs in the Gulf of Mexico.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 25, 2013

Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES**  
2 **OF AMERICA AND THE UNITED MEXICAN**  
3 **STATES CONCERNING TRANSBOUNDARY HY-**  
4 **DROCARBON RESERVOIRS IN THE GULF OF**  
5 **MEXICO.**

6 The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to take  
7 actions necessary to implement the terms of the Agree-  
8 ment between the United States of America and the  
9 United Mexican States Concerning Transboundary Hydro-  
10 carbon Reservoirs in the Gulf of Mexico, which is hereby  
11 approved, including—

12 (1) to approve unitization agreements and re-  
13 lated arrangements for the exploration of, and devel-  
14 opment or production of oil or gas from, trans-  
15 boundary reservoirs and geological structures;

16 (2) to disclose as necessary under the Agree-  
17 ment information related to the exploration, develop-  
18 ment, and production of a transboundary reservoir  
19 or geological structure that may be considered con-  
20 fidential, privileged, or proprietary information  
21 under law; and

22 (3) to accept and take action not inconsistent  
23 with an expert determination under the Agreement.

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