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H. R. 9408

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 5, 1975

Mr. STAGGERS (for himself and Mr. DEVINE) (by request) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce

A BILL

To amend the Federal Power Act and the Natural Gas Act.

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. The Congress finds that the services per-
4 formed by the Federal Power Commission in its administra-
5 tion of the Federal Power Act and the Natural Gas Act
6 confer special benefits on the persons subject to its jurisdic-
7 tion and that it is the public policy that the costs of such
8 administration shall be assessed on an equitable basis against
9 such persons so as to make the Commission self-sustaining
10 to the fullest extent possible.

1 SEC. 2. That section 309 of the Federal Power Act is
2 amended by inserting “(a)” before the first sentence there-
3 of; and by adding at the end thereof the following new sub-
4 section.

5 “(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law,
6 every public utility shall for the privilege of doing business
7 as a public utility pay to the United States on or be-
8 fore July 1 of each calendar year reasonable annual charges
9 in an amount to be fixed by the Commission for the purpose
10 of reimbursing the United States for the costs of the ad-
11 ministration of parts II and III of this Act.”

12 SEC. 3. That section 16 of the Natural Gas Act is
13 amended by inserting “(a)” before the first sentence there-
14 of; and by adding at the end thereof the following new sub-
15 section.

16 “(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law,
17 every natural gas company shall for the privilege of doing
18 business as a natural gas company pay to the United States
19 on or before July 1 of each calendar year reasonable annual
20 charges in an amount to be fixed by the Commission for the
21 purpose of reimbursing the United States for the costs of
22 administration of the Natural Gas Act.”

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