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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. LUJÁN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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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 “Local Input Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT FOR MEANINGFUL INVOLVEMENT**  
6 **IN LEASING DETERMINATIONS.**

7 (a) MEANINGFUL INVOLVEMENT.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Prior to offering a parcel of  
2           land for oil or gas leasing under section 17 of the  
3           Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 226), the Secretary  
4           of the Interior shall meaningfully involve the public  
5           and State, Tribal, and local government officials in  
6           determining whether to offer that parcel for leasing  
7           under that section.

8           (2) MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.—The meaning-  
9           ful involvement required under paragraph (1) for a  
10          parcel of land shall include, at a minimum—

11                (A) public disclosure of—

12                       (i) the proposal to offer the parcel for  
13                       leasing; and

14                       (ii) an analysis of the expected effects  
15                       of offering the parcel for leasing on—

16                               (I) the surface and subsurface re-  
17                               sources of the parcel; and

18                               (II) uses of the parcel other than  
19                               uses for oil or gas activities, including  
20                               any uses considered in a land use plan  
21                               developed for the parcel under section  
22                               202 of the Federal Land Policy and  
23                               Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C.  
24                               1712);

1 (B) an opportunity for the public to com-  
2 ment on the proposal; and

3 (C) consideration of any input, including  
4 from—

5 (i) the public;

6 (ii) State and local governments; and

7 (iii) government-to-government con-  
8 sultation with federally recognized Indian  
9 Tribes.

10 (b) LEASING DETERMINATION.—Based on the mean-  
11 ingful involvement required under subsection (a) for a par-  
12 cel of land, the Secretary of the Interior may decide not  
13 to offer that parcel for oil or gas leasing under section  
14 17 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 226).