

and we wanted the laws of Louisiana, both the conservation laws about how you take oil out of the ground, as well as the domestic law about assault and battery, murder, or anything else.

We wanted our State law to apply to an area where our people were working.

Senator KUCHEL. You don't think that this provision of the law is in opposition to your position?

Senator LONG. Hold on just 1 second, and I will make it clear.

Senator KUCHEL. All right.

Senator LONG. We wanted our law of Louisiana to apply to the extended Louisiana boundaries in the sea.

Senator KUCHEL. Yes.

Senator LONG. Guy Cordon and others on that committee were perfectly content to support that proposal, that our laws apply on the Continental Shelf, beyond our 3-mile boundary, except that they wanted to make clear that extending our domestic law out there was not to serve as a basis for us claiming anything, and we don't claim that that Outer Continental Shelf gives us any rights whatever to the resources thereof.

Senator KUCHEL. The Senator is correct.

Senator LONG. But the point is that that doesn't say that we shall not claim an interest out there. It merely says that we shall not claim it by virtue of the fact that our domestic sanitation law applies out there, for example.

Senator KUCHEL. I think that the letter from the Attorney General of the United States to my friend, the able chairman of this committee, is going to go in the record in toto, but on the point that you make, Senator, I want to read just this one sentence from the Attorney General's comments:

It is by no means clear that the consideration favoring the policy of local uniformity in crime laws governing the conduct of individuals have any relevancy to the problem of regulating the production of natural resources from Federal land by Federal leases.

Now, I want at this point to clear the record on something that was raised a little bit ago. There is in the audience a representative of the Department of the Interior, whose responsibilities run to these leaseholds. Now, let's understand this very clearly. I want to talk now about Federal practice in mineral leases, on the Continental Shelf, off the coast of California, outside the boundaries of the State of California, and I will make this statement, on the authority of the representative from the Department of the Interior:

There are no cases in which Federal leases are developed by slant drilling from locations within the 3-mile limit in California seaward to the Outer Continental Shelf.

Now, let's understand that. Because when it was alleged a few moments ago that it was different in California from Louisiana, and that in California, you would get State income taxes because slant drilling from the upland was taking place, I am glad to make this record abundantly clear, Senator, that that is not the fact, in my statement.

Governor McKEITHEN. I think he said the possibility was that it would be true in Louisiana.