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Comments (use back if needed):

Royalty rates on federal coal and bonus bid payments should be significantly reduced in light of declining coal market conditions. Current coal rents and royalties are excessive and are contributing to bankruptcy in the coal industry. Reducing royalties and new lease bonus payments will help remaining coal companies stay solvent and ensure revenues continue to be generated for the federal government and U.S. taxpayers.

A review should also be conducted on the abuse and misuse of the Equal Access to Justice Law by NGO's by which they bring frivolous lawsuits against ~~before~~ the government and use the EAJL to recover their attorneys fees.

This is an abuse of this laws intent and a driver behind the increase of nuisance and expensive lawsuits brought against the government and ultimately funded by american tax payers.