A House Republican introduced a bill Monday that attempts an end-run around President Obama's approval to pave the way for construction of the northern stretch of the controversial Keystone XL Pipeline.

The proposal by GOP Rep. Lee Terry would cover the Canada-to-Nebraska stretch, the permit for which remains under federal review.

Obama has already approved the southern leg of the roughly 2,000-mile-long pipeline that would take crude oil from Canada and mineral-rich Western states to refineries along the Gulf Coast of Texas.

"All I am saying with my legislation is: Mr. President, please treat the northern portion of the pipeline in the same manner as you treated the southern portion," Terry, R-Neb., said on Capitol Hill. "You praised the construction for the southern route but keep changing the rules for the part that crosses the border."

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