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119TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION



To amend the Clean Air Act with respect to the ethanol waiver for Reid Vapor Pressure under that Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

- To amend the Clean Air Act with respect to the ethanol waiver for Reid Vapor Pressure under that Act, and for other purposes.
 - 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 "Nationwide Consumer5 and Fuel Retailer Choice Act of 2025".

6 SEC. 2. NATIONWIDE CONSUMER AND FUEL RETAILER

CHOICE ACT OF 2024.

8 (a) ETHANOL WAIVER.—

1	(1) EXISTING WAIVERS.—Section $211(f)(4)$ of
2	the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. $7545(f)(4)$) is amend-
3	ed—
4	(A) by striking "(4) The Administrator,
5	upon" and inserting the following:
6	"(4) WAIVERS.—
7	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator,
8	on'';
9	(B) in subparagraph (A) (as so des-
10	ignated)—
11	(i) in the first sentence—
12	(I) by striking "of this sub-
13	section" each place it appears; and
14	(II) by striking "if he deter-
15	mines" and inserting "if the Adminis-
16	trator determines"; and
17	(ii) in the second sentence, by striking
18	"The Administrator" and inserting the fol-
19	lowing:
20	"(B) FINAL ACTION.—The Adminis-
21	trator"; and
22	(C) by adding at the end the following:
23	"(C) Reid vapor pressure.—A fuel or
24	fuel additive may be introduced into commerce
25	if—

1	"(i)(I) the Administrator determines
2	that the fuel or fuel additive is substan-
3	tially similar to a fuel or fuel additive uti-
4	lized in the certification of any model year
5	vehicle pursuant to paragraph $(1)(A)$; or
6	"(II) the fuel or fuel additive has been
7	granted a waiver under subparagraph (A)
8	and meets all of the conditions of that
9	waiver other than any limitation of the
10	waiver with respect to the Reid Vapor
11	Pressure of the fuel or fuel additive; and
12	"(ii) the fuel or fuel additive meets all
13	other applicable Reid Vapor Pressure re-
14	quirements under subsection (h).".
15	(2) Reid vapor pressure limitation.—Sec-
16	tion 211(h) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C.
17	7545(h)) is amended—
18	(A) by striking "vapor pressure" each
19	place it appears and inserting "Vapor Pres-
20	sure'';
21	(B) in paragraph (4), in the matter pre-
22	ceding subparagraph (A), by striking "10 per-
23	cent" and inserting "10 to 15 percent"; and
24	(C) in paragraph (5)(A)—

1	(i) by striking "Upon notification, ac-
2	companied by" and inserting "On receipt
3	of a notification that is submitted after the
4	date of enactment of the Nationwide Con-
5	sumer and Fuel Retailer Choice Act of
6	2025, and is accompanied by appropriate";
7	(ii) by striking "10 percent" and in-
8	serting "10 to 15 percent"; and
9	(iii) by adding at the end the fol-
10	lowing: "Upon the date of enactment of
11	the Nationwide Consumer and Fuel Re-
12	tailer Choice Act of 2025, any State for
13	which the notification from the Governor
14	of a State was submitted before the date
15	of enactment of the Nationwide Consumer
16	and Fuel Retailer Choice Act of 2025 and
17	to which the Administrator applied the
18	Reid Vapor Pressure limitation established
19	by paragraph (1) shall instead have the
20	Reid Vapor Pressure limitation established
21	by paragraph (4) apply to all fuel blends
22	containing gasoline and 10 to 15 percent
23	denatured anhydrous ethanol that are sold,
24	offered for sale, dispensed, supplied, of-
25	fered for supply, transported, or introduced

1	into commerce in the area during the high
2	ozone season.".
3	(b) GENERATION OF CREDITS BY SMALL REFIN-
4	ERIES UNDER THE RENEWABLE FUEL PROGRAM.—Sec-
5	tion $211(0)(9)$ of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C.
6	7545(0)(9)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
7	lowing:
8	"(E) CREDITS GENERATED FOR 2016-2018
9	COMPLIANCE YEARS.—
10	"(i) Rule.—For any small refinery
11	described in clause (ii) or (iii), the credits
12	described in the respective clause shall
13	be—
14	"(I) returned to the small refin-
15	ery and, notwithstanding paragraph
16	(5)(C), deemed eligible for future
17	compliance years; or
18	"(II) applied as a credit in the
19	EPA Moderated Transaction System
20	(EMTS) account of the small refinery.
21	"(ii) Compliance years 2016 and
22	2017.—Clause (i) applies with respect to
23	any small refinery that—
24	"(I) retired credits generated for
25	compliance years 2016 or 2017; and

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1	"(II) submitted a petition under
2	subparagraph (B)(i) for that compli-
3	ance year that remained outstanding
4	as of December 1, 2022.
5	"(iii) Compliance year 2018.—In
6	addition to small refineries described in
7	clause (ii), clause (i) applies with respect
8	to any small refinery—
9	"(I) that submitted a petition
10	under subparagraph (B)(i) for compli-
11	ance year 2018 by September 1,
12	2019;
13	"(II) that retired credits gen-
14	erated for compliance year 2018 as
15	part of the compliance demonstration
16	of the small refinery for compliance
17	year 2018 by March 31, 2019; and
18	"(III) for which—
19	"(aa) the petition remained
20	outstanding as of December 1,
21	2022; or
22	"(bb) the Administrator de-
23	nied the petition as of July 1,
24	2022, and has not returned the

1	retired credits as of December 1,
2	2022.".