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H. R. 4215

To amend title VI of the Clean Air Act with respect to the phaseout schedule for methyl bromide.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 6, 2000

Mr. POMBO (for himself, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mrs. THURMAN, and Mr. ADERHOLT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

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 “Methyl Bromide Fair-
5 ness Act of 2000”.

6 **SEC. 2. PHASEOUT SCHEDULE FOR METHYL BROMIDE.**

7 Section 604 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7671e),
8 as amended by section 764 of the Agriculture, Rural De-
9 velopment, Food and Drug Administration, and Related
10 Agencies Appropriations Act, 1999 (as contained in sec-

1 tion 101(a) of division A of Public Law 105–277; 112
2 Stat. 2681, 2681–36), is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (d), by amending paragraph
4 (5) to read as follows:

5 “(5) SANITATION AND FOOD PROTECTION.—
6 Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, the
7 production, importation, and consumption of methyl
8 bromide to fumigate commodities or articles or fa-
9 cilities where such commodities or articles may be
10 processed or stored for purposes of compliance with
11 Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service require-
12 ments or with any international, Federal, State, or
13 local sanitation or food protection standard shall be
14 exempt.”; and

15 (2) by amending subsection (h) to read as fol-
16 lows:

17 “(h) METHYL BROMIDE.—Notwithstanding section
18 602(d), section 606, or subsection (b) or (d) of this sec-
19 tion, the Administrator shall not terminate production of
20 methyl bromide prior to January 1, 2015. The Adminis-
21 trator shall promulgate rules for reductions in, and termi-
22 nate the production, importation, and consumption of,
23 methyl bromide under a schedule that is in accordance
24 with, but not more stringent than, the phaseout schedule

1 of the Montreal Protocol for developing countries as de-
2 scribed in Article 5 of such Protocol.”.

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