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# H. R. 3006

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 23, 2019

Mr. PETERSON (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, and Mr. LOEBSACK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## 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 “Renewable Fuel Stand-  
5 ard Integrity Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. ANNUAL DEADLINE FOR PETITIONS BY SMALL RE-**  
2 **FINERIES FOR EXEMPTIONS FROM RENEW-**  
3 **ABLE FUEL REQUIREMENTS.**

4 (a) DEADLINE.—Notwithstanding any other provi-  
5 sion of law, petitions under section 211(o)(9) of the Clean  
6 Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7545(o)(9)) for an exemption from the  
7 requirements of section 211(o)(2) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
8 7545(o)(2)) shall be submitted to the Administrator of the  
9 Environmental Protection Agency by June 1 of the year  
10 preceding the year when such requirements would other-  
11 wise be in effect.

12 (b) EFFECT OF FAILURE TO MEET DEADLINE.—If  
13 a petition described in subsection (a) is not submitted by  
14 the deadline specified in such subsection, the petition shall  
15 be ineligible for consideration or approval.

16 **SEC. 3. INFORMATION IN PETITION SUBJECT TO PUBLIC**  
17 **DISCLOSURE.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Any information submitted to the  
19 Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency by  
20 any person, including a small refinery, with respect to a  
21 petition under section 211(o)(9)(B) of the Clean Air Act  
22 (42 U.S.C. 7545(o)(9)(B))—

23 (1) shall not be deemed to be a trade secret or  
24 confidential information; and

1           (2) shall be subject to public disclosure, not-  
2           withstanding section 552(b) of title 5, United States  
3           Code, or any other Federal law or regulation.

4           (b) APPLICABILITY.—Subsection (a) applies only  
5           with respect to information submitted with respect to a  
6           petition under section 211(o)(9)(B) of the Clean Air Act  
7           (42 U.S.C. 7545(o)(9)(B)) for calendar year 2021 or sub-  
8           sequent calendar years.

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