

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 3024

To require the Administrator of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration to respond to petitions for regulatory action within 18 months.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 11, 2019

Mr. KENNEDY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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 “Hazardous Materials
5 Safety Improvement Act of 2019”.

6 **SEC. 2. PETITIONS FOR REGULATORY ACTION.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the Pipeline
8 and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration shall act
9 on any petition for regulatory action, including petitions
10 for reconsideration of a rule and petitions from groups

1 with delegated authority, not later than 18 months after
2 such petition is received by the appropriate agency.

3 (b) EFFECT OF DEPARTMENT ACTION.—Any action
4 taken by the Secretary of Transportation or the Adminis-
5 trator of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Ad-
6 ministration, in response to a petition described in sub-
7 section (a) shall supersede any decision regarding the
8 issue reached by a group with delegated authority.

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