

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 10275

To amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for a 6 month delay
before a final rule may take effect.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 3, 2024

Ms. HAGEMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Regulatory Cooling
5 Off Act of 2024”.

6 **SEC. 2. DELAY IN EFFECTIVE DATE OF RULES.**

7 Title 5, United States Code, is amended as follows:

8 (1) In section 553—

1 (A) in subsection (c), by inserting “, for a
2 period of not less than 60 days,” before “inter-
3 ested persons”;

4 (B) in subsection (d), by striking “30
5 days” and inserting “6 months”; and

6 (C) by adding at the end the following:

7 “(f) The agency shall submit a finalized rule to Con-
8 gress for referral to each committee of jurisdiction in each
9 House of Congress not later than 6 months prior to the
10 effective date of the rule.

11 “(g) The agency shall publish notice in the Federal
12 Register on the date that a finalized rule takes effect.

13 “(h) The agency shall post on the website of such
14 agency a final rule or proposed rule not less than 24 hours
15 before such final rule or proposed rule is published in the
16 Federal Register pursuant to this section.”.

17 (2) In section 702, by adding at the end the fol-
18 lowing: “An action under this section may be
19 brought before the district court where the plaintiff
20 resides or before any court for a district where the
21 agency has an office.”.

22 (3) In section 801—

23 (A) in subsection (a)(1)(A), by inserting
24 after “shall submit to each House of the Con-
25 gress” the following: “not later than the date

1 that is 6 months prior to the effective date of
2 such rule”; and

3 (B) in subsection (a)(3), by striking “60
4 days” and inserting “6 months (unless the Con-
5 gress enacts a joint resolution or other measure
6 explicitly approving the rule)”.

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