

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.

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## 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

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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 “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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