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# S. 3055

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. THUNE (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BROWN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. ERNST, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. RICKETTS, and Mr. ROUNDS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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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 “Adopt the Greenhouse  
5 gases, Regulated Emissions, and Energy use in Transpor-  
6 tation model Act” or the “Adopt GREET Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF ADMINISTRATOR.**

2 In this Act, the term “Administrator” means the Ad-  
3 ministrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

4 **SEC. 3. LIFECYCLE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS FOR AP-  
5 PROVED FUEL PATHWAYS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), not  
7 later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act,  
8 and not later than every 5 years thereafter, the Adminis-  
9 trator shall update the methodology used by the Environ-  
10 mental Protection Agency in lifecycle analyses with respect  
11 to greenhouse gas emissions that result from a fuel path-  
12 way to which a D code has been assigned pursuant to a  
13 petition described in section 80.1416 of title 40, Code of  
14 Federal Regulations (or successor regulations), that has  
15 been approved by the Administrator.

16 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—

17 (1) FIRST UPDATE.—In carrying out the first  
18 update required under subsection (a), the Adminis-  
19 trator shall adopt the most recent Greenhouse gases,  
20 Regulated Emissions, and Energy use in Transpor-  
21 tation model (commonly referred to as the “GREET  
22 model”) developed by Argonne National Laboratory.

23 (2) SUBSEQUENT UPDATES.—In carrying out  
24 the second and each subsequent update required  
25 under subsection (a), the Administrator shall—

1 (A) as necessary, adopt, review, or update  
2 a methodology determined to be appropriate by  
3 the Administrator; or

4 (B) adopt the methodology described in  
5 paragraph (1).

6 (3) ESTABLISHMENT OF FUEL PATHWAYS.—

7 For any fuel pathway to which the Administrator as-  
8 signs a D code pursuant to a petition described in  
9 section 80.1416 of title 40, Code of Federal Regula-  
10 tions (or successor regulations), that is approved by  
11 the Administrator after the date of enactment of  
12 this Act, the Administrator shall, not later than 90  
13 days after the date on which the Administrator as-  
14 signs that code, adopt the methodology described in  
15 paragraph (1) for purposes of modeling lifecycle  
16 analyses with respect to greenhouse gas emissions  
17 that result from that fuel pathway.

18 (c) REPORT.—If the Administrator fails to carry out  
19 subsection (b)(2) before the applicable deadline described  
20 in subsection (a), the Administrator shall submit to the  
21 Committees on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, En-  
22 ergy and Natural Resources, and Environment and Public  
23 Works of the Senate and the Committees on Agriculture,  
24 Energy and Commerce, and Science, Space, and Tech-  
25 nology of the House of Representatives a report describing

1 the reasons for the failure to carry out subsection (b)(2),  
2 which may include a determination by the Administrator  
3 that the methodology adopted or updated in a previous  
4 update under subsection (a) remains the most current  
5 methodology based on available data, research, and tech-  
6 nology.

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