

113TH CONGRESS
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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. KIRK, Mr. COATS, and Mr. PORTMAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Gas Accessibility and
5 Stabilization Act of 2013”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXPANSION OF WAIVER AUTHORITY.**

7 Section 211(c)(4)(C) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C.
8 7545(c)(4)(C)) is amended—

1 (1) in clause (ii)(II), by inserting “a problem
2 with distribution or delivery equipment that is nec-
3 essary for the transportation or delivery of fuel or
4 fuel additives,” after “equipment failure,”;

5 (2) in clause (iii)(II), by inserting “(except that
6 the Administrator may extend the effectiveness of a
7 waiver for more than 20 days if the Administrator
8 determines that the conditions under clause (ii) sup-
9 porting a waiver determination will exist for more
10 than 20 days)” before the semicolon at the end;

11 (3) by redesignating the second clause (v) (re-
12 lating to the authority of the Administrator to ap-
13 prove certain State implementation plans) as clause
14 (vi); and

15 (4) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(vii) PRESUMPTIVE APPROVAL.—Notwithstanding
17 any other provision of this subparagraph, if the Adminis-
18 trator does not approve or deny a request for a waiver
19 under this subparagraph within 3 days after receipt of the
20 request, the request shall be considered to be approved as
21 received by the Administrator and the applicable fuel
22 standards shall be waived for the period of time re-
23 quested.”.

1 **SEC. 3. FUEL SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS HARMONIZATION**
2 **STUDY.**

3 Section 1509 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Pub-
4 lic Law 109–58; 119 Stat. 1083) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a)—

6 (A) in paragraph (1)(A), by inserting
7 “biofuels,” after “oxygenated fuel,”; and

8 (B) in paragraph (2)(G), by striking “Tier
9 II” and inserting “Tier III”; and

10 (2) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “2008”
11 and inserting “2014”.