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H. R. 4624

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 25, 2016

Ms. HAHN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Pipeline Inspection
5 Enforcement Act of 2016”.

1 **SEC. 2. PIPELINE INSPECTIONS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 60108 of title 49, United
3 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
4 lowing:

5 “(e) INSPECTION OF TRANSFERRED PIPELINE FA-
6 CILITIES.—With respect to a pipeline facility that is trans-
7 ferred by sale, the Secretary shall require by regulation
8 that—

9 “(1) not later than 180 days after the date of
10 the sale, the person purchasing the facility conduct
11 an inspection of the facility to confirm the status of
12 any pipeline listed as active or abandoned; and

13 “(2) the regulatory authority responsible for in-
14 spections of the facility ensure that the inspection
15 described in paragraph (1) is conducted.

16 “(f) INSPECTION OF ABANDONED PIPELINE FACILI-
17 TIES.—With respect to a pipeline facility that newly lists
18 a pipeline as abandoned, the Secretary shall require by
19 regulation that the regulatory authority responsible for in-
20 spections of the facility conduct an inspection of the facil-
21 ity to confirm the status of the pipeline as abandoned.”.

22 (b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendment made by sub-
23 section (a) shall apply to a pipeline facility that is trans-
24 ferred or listed as abandoned after the date of enactment
25 of this Act.