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To require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to include in any proposed rule that limits greenhouse gas emissions and imposes increased costs on other Federal agencies an offset from funds available to the Administrator for all projected increased costs that the proposed rule would impose on other Federal agencies.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 3, 2015

Mr. FLAKE (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. LEE, Mr. COATS, and Mr. CORNYN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Agency PAYGO for
3 Greenhouse Gases Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. OFFSETS FOR INCREASED COSTS TO FEDERAL**
5 **AGENCIES FOR REGULATIONS LIMITING**
6 **GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS.**

7 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—If the Administrator of the Envi-
8 ronmental Protection Agency proposes a rule that limits
9 greenhouse gas emissions and imposes increased costs on
10 1 or more other Federal agencies, the Administrator shall
11 include in the proposed rule an offset from funds available
12 to the Administrator for all projected increased costs that
13 the proposed rule would impose on other Federal agencies.

14 (b) **NO OFFSETS.**—If the Administrator proposes a
15 rule that limits greenhouse gas emissions and imposes in-
16 creased costs on 1 or more other Federal agencies but does
17 not provide an offset in accordance with paragraph (1),
18 the Administrator may not finalize the rule until the pro-
19 mulgation of the final rule is approved by law.

20 (c) **RESTRICTION.**—Notwithstanding any other provi-
21 sion of law, if the Administrator of the Environmental
22 Protection Agency proposes a rule described in subsection
23 (a)—

24 (1) a Federal agency on which the rule imposes
25 increased costs may not pass the costs imposed by

1 the rule on to any rate payer of the Federal agency;

2 and

3 (2) the proposed rule—

4 (A) shall be considered to be a rule that

5 imposes increased costs on a Federal agency;

6 and

7 (B) shall be subject to this section.

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