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To authorize loan guarantees for projects to construct renewable fuel pipelines.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BOSWELL (for himself and Mr. TERRY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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 “Renewable Fuel Pipe-
5 line Act of 2011”.

1 **SEC. 2. LOAN GUARANTEES FOR PROJECTS TO CONSTRUCT**
2 **RENEWABLE FUEL PIPELINES.**

3 (a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 1701 of the Energy Pol-
4 icy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16511) is amended by adding
5 at the end the following:

6 “(6) RENEWABLE FUEL.—The term ‘renewable
7 fuel’ has the meaning given the term in section
8 211(o)(1) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C.
9 7545(o)(1)), except that the term includes all types
10 of ethanol and biodiesel.

11 “(7) RENEWABLE FUEL PIPELINE.—The term
12 ‘renewable fuel pipeline’ means a pipeline for trans-
13 porting renewable fuel.”.

14 (b) AMOUNT.—Section 1702(c) of the Energy Policy
15 Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16512(c)) is amended—

16 (1) by striking “(c) AMOUNT.—Unless” and in-
17 serting the following:

18 “(c) AMOUNT.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Unless”; and

20 (2) by adding at the end the following:

21 “(2) RENEWABLE FUEL PIPELINES.—A guar-
22 antee for a project described in section 1703(b)(11)
23 shall be in an amount equal to 80 percent of the
24 project cost of the facility that is the subject of the
25 guarantee, as estimated at the time at which the
26 guarantee is issued.”.

1 (c) REASONABLE PROSPECT OF REPAYMENT.—Sec-
2 tion 1702(d) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C.
3 16512(d)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

4 “(4) RENEWABLE FUEL PIPELINE.—In deter-
5 mining under paragraph (1) whether there is a rea-
6 sonable prospect of repayment with respect to a re-
7 newable fuel pipeline project described in section
8 1703(b)(11), the Secretary shall not require a dem-
9 onstration of existing contractual obligations for a
10 specific minimum capacity of pipeline usage.”.

11 (d) RENEWABLE FUEL PIPELINE ELIGIBILITY.—
12 Section 1703(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42
13 U.S.C. 16513(b)) is amended by adding at the end the
14 following:

15 “(11) Renewable fuel pipelines.”.

16 (e) RAPID DEPLOYMENT OF RENEWABLE FUEL
17 PIPELINES.—Section 1705 of the Energy Policy Act of
18 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16516) is amended—

19 (1) in subsection (a)—

20 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
21 by inserting “, or, in the case of projects de-
22 scribed in paragraph (4), September 30, 2013”
23 before the colon at the end; and

24 (B) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(4) Installation of sufficient infrastructure to
2 allow for the cost-effective deployment of clean en-
3 ergy technologies appropriate to each region of the
4 United States, including the deployment of renew-
5 able fuel pipelines through loan guarantees in an
6 amount equal to 80 percent of the cost.”; and

7 (2) in subsection (e), by inserting “, or, in the
8 case of projects described in subsection (a)(4), Sep-
9 tember 30, 2013” before the period at the end.

10 (f) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 90 days after the
11 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Energy
12 shall promulgate such regulations as are necessary to
13 carry out the amendments made by this section.

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