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To amend the Clean Air Act to repeal the establishment of motor vehicle emission and fuel standards, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas (for himself, Mr. CLOUD, and Mr. GILL of Texas) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Fuel Emissions Free-
5 dom Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) Fuel emissions regulations increase costs
9 for consumers and manufacturers.

1 (2) Overlapping and ever-changing fuel emis-
2 sions standards, whether imposed by the Environ-
3 mental Protection Agency, the State of California, or
4 through Corporate Average Fuel Economy regula-
5 tions, create long-term uncertainty for manufactur-
6 ers.

7 (3) This fragmented regulatory environment sti-
8 fles innovation, disrupts supply chains, and burdens
9 manufacturers and businesses, especially small and
10 medium-sized auto suppliers.

11 (4) Conflicting fuel emissions standards force
12 manufacturers to comply with multiple sets of costly
13 and inconsistent regulations, further reducing effi-
14 ciency and raising production costs, which are ulti-
15 mately passed onto the consumer.

16 (5) Eliminating fuel emissions standards at the
17 Federal and State level will help restore regulatory
18 certainty, lower costs for families, and strengthen
19 manufacturing in the United States to ensure eco-
20 nomic freedom.

21 **SEC. 3. REPEAL AND PREEMPTION OF CERTAIN EMISSION**
22 **STANDARDS.**

23 (a) MOTOR VEHICLE EMISSION AND FUEL STAND-
24 ARDS UNDER CLEAN AIR ACT.—

1 (1) REPEAL OF STANDARDS.—Section 202 of
2 the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7521) is repealed.

3 (2) PREEMPTION OF STATE STANDARDS.—Sec-
4 tion 209 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7543) is
5 amended—

6 (A) in subsection (a), by striking “subject
7 to this part”;

8 (B) by striking subsection (b);

9 (C) in subsection (c), by striking “The pre-
10 ceding sentence shall not apply in the case of
11 a State with respect to which a waiver is in ef-
12 fect under subsection (b).”;

13 (D) in subsection (e), by striking “Sub-
14 section (b) shall not apply for purposes of this
15 paragraph” and all that follows through “The
16 Administrator shall issue” and inserting the fol-
17 lowing:

18 “(2) REGULATIONS.—The Administrator shall
19 issue”; and

20 (E) by redesignating subsections (c), (d),
21 and (e) as subsections (b), (c), and (d), respec-
22 tively.

23 (b) AUTOMOBILE FUEL ECONOMY.—

1 (1) REPEAL OF STANDARDS.—Sections 32902
2 through 32918 of title 49, United States Code, are
3 repealed.

4 (2) PREEMPTION OF STATE STANDARDS.—Sec-
5 tion 32919 of title 49, United States Code, is
6 amended—

7 (A) in subsection (a)—

8 (i) by striking “(a) GENERAL.—When
9 an average fuel economy standard pre-
10 scribed under this chapter is in effect, a
11 State” and inserting “A State”; and

12 (ii) by striking “covered by an average
13 fuel economy standard under this chap-
14 ter”; and

15 (B) by striking subsections (b) and (c).

16 (3) TABLE OF SECTIONS AMENDMENT.—The
17 table of sections for chapter 329 of title 49, United
18 States Code, is amended by striking the items relat-
19 ing to sections 32902 through 32918.

20 (c) NULLIFICATION OF STANDARDS.—Any Federal
21 regulation issued pursuant to section 202 of the Clean Air
22 Act (42 U.S.C. 7543(b)) or sections 32902 through 32918
23 of title 49, United States Code, or any State law, regula-
24 tion, or executive order issued pursuant to section 209(b)
25 of such Act, as each such section was in effect on the day

1 before the date of enactment of this Act, is hereby nullified
2 and shall have no force or effect.

3 (d) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any other Fed-
4 eral law, Executive order, rule, regulation, or delegation
5 of authority, or any document of or pertaining to a stand-
6 ard established under section 202 or 209(b) of the Clean
7 Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7521; 7543(b)) or section 32902
8 through 32918 of title 49, United States Code, is deemed
9 void and unenforceable.

10 **SEC. 4. PROHIBITION ON FUEL EMISSION STANDARDS.**

11 (a) FEDERAL PREEMPTION.—Notwithstanding any
12 other law, the Federal Government may not establish, en-
13 force, or maintain fuel emission standard for motor vehi-
14 cles.

15 (b) STATE PROHIBITION.—A State, or political sub-
16 division thereof, may not enforce or maintain any fuel
17 emission standards for motor vehicles.

18 (c) PREEMPTION OF STANDARDS.—Any Federal or
19 State law, regulation, or executive order that establishes
20 fuel emissions standards for motor vehicles is hereby nul-
21 lified and shall have no force or effect.

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