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H. R. 5368

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to rename the Community Liaison Services within the Office of Pipeline Safety of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration as the Office of Public Engagement, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

Ms. STRICKLAND 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 Safety En-
5 gagement Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. OFFICE OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
3 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transpor-
4 tation shall rename the Community Liaison Services with-
5 in the Office of Pipeline Safety of the Pipeline and Haz-
6 ardous Materials Safety Administration as the Office of
7 Public Engagement (hereinafter in this section referred to
8 as the “Office”).

9 (b) DUTIES.—The duties of the Office are to—

10 (1) proactively engage with pipeline stake-
11 holders, including the public, pipeline operators,
12 public safety organizations, and State, local, and
13 Tribal government officials, to raise awareness of
14 pipeline safety practices;

15 (2) promote the adoption and increased use of
16 safety programs and activities;

17 (3) inform the public of pipeline safety regula-
18 tions and best practices; and

19 (4) assist the public with inquiries regarding
20 pipeline safety.

21 (c) PUBLIC ACCESS.—The Office shall ensure that
22 activities carried out by the Office and information prod-
23 ucts developed by the Office are accessible to the public.

24 (d) COMMUNITY LIAISONS.—The Office shall incor-
25 porate positions known as “community liaisons” under the
26 Community Liaison Services.

1 (e) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after the
2 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit
3 to Congress a report on the implementation of this section.

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