105TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2601

To exempt prescribed burning on national forestlands from regulation under the Clean Air Act.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 1, 1997

Mr. Rogan (for himself, Mr. Dreier, Mr. Gallegly, and Mr. McKeon) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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. MORATORIUM ON REGULATION OF PRE-
- 4 SCRIBED BURNING.
- 5 Section 118 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7418)
- 6 is amended by adding the following at the end thereof:
- 7 "(e) Prescribed Burning on National Forest
- 8 Lands.—Notwithstanding subsection (a), for a period of
- 9 10 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
- 10 Administrator shall suspend the application of this Act to

- 1 prescribed burning carried out by the Secretary of Agri-
- 2 culture on national forest system lands for the purpose
- 3 of demonstrating that an aggressive prescribed burning
- 4 program over time will lower the total amount of particu-
- 5 late produced from the combined outputs of prescribed

6 fires and wildfires.".

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