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H. R. 4231

To require employers to notify local emergency officials, under the appropriate circumstances, of workplace emergencies, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ROTHMAN (for himself and Mr. MILLER of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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 “Industrial Emergency
5 Notification Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY OFFICIALS.**

7 The Occupational Safety and Health Administration
8 shall issue as a final regulation, not later than 18 months

1 after the date of the enactment of this Act, a regulation
2 that requires employers to—

3 (1) notify outside emergency responders when
4 the conditions and circumstances occur which re-
5 quire outside emergency response, including work-
6 place evacuations and other conditions specified in
7 the regulation;

8 (2) describe with specificity in their emergency
9 response plans, developed under regulations pub-
10 lished at 29 C.F.R. 1919.120 and 29 C.F.R.
11 1926.65 or in their emergency actions plans devel-
12 oped under regulations published at 29 C.F.R.
13 1910.38, the conditions and circumstances that re-
14 quire outside emergency response in addition to
15 those described in paragraph (1); and

16 (3) obtain the agreement, in writing, of the out-
17 side responders as to which conditions and cir-
18 cumstances require outside response in addition to
19 those described in paragraph (1).

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