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# S. 614

To prohibit the Secretary of Transportation and the Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Administration from taking action to finalize, implement, or enforce a rule related to the hours of service of drivers for motor carriers, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 26, 2001

Mr. INHOFE introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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## 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. PROHIBITION ON ACTIONS TO FINALIZE, IM-**  
4       **PLEMENT, OR ENFORCE RULE.**

5       The Secretary of Transportation and the Adminis-  
6       trator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration  
7       may not take any action or use appropriated funds to fi-

1 nalize, implement, or enforce the proposed rule entitled  
2 “Hours of Service of Drivers; Driver Rest and Sleep for  
3 Safe Operations” published by the Federal Motor Carrier  
4 Safety Administration in the Federal Register on May 2,  
5 2000 (65 Fed. Reg. 25539 et seq. and Docket No.  
6 FMCSA 97–2350) and issued under the authority dele-  
7 gated to the Administrator under section 113 of title 49,  
8 United States Code.

9 **SEC. 2. AUTHORITY TO PROCEED THROUGH PROCESS.**

10 Notwithstanding section 1, the Secretary of Trans-  
11 portation and the Administrator of the Federal Motor  
12 Carrier Safety Administration may proceed through all  
13 stages of the rulemaking (other than adoption of a final  
14 rule) for the proposed rule referred to in section 1, includ-  
15 ing issuing a supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking.

16 **SEC. 3. LIMITATION ON EFFECTIVE DATE OF FINAL RULE.**

17 Any final rule with respect to the subject matter of  
18 the proposed rule referred to in section 1 may not take  
19 effect before the last day of the 180-day period beginning  
20 on the date on which the Secretary of Transportation or  
21 the Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Ad-  
22 ministration transmits a copy of that final rule to Con-  
23 gress.

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