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[Report No. 111–319]

To amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to establish within the Department of Energy a Supply Star program to identify and promote practices, companies, and products that use highly efficient supply chains in a manner that conserves energy, water, and other resources.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 24, 2010

Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. PRYOR, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, and Mr. BAYH) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 27, 2010

Reported by Mr. BINGAMAN, with amendments and an amendment to the title
[Omit the parts struck through and insert the parts printed in *italic*]

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 “Supply Star Act of
 5 2010”.

6 **SEC. 2. SUPPLY STAR.**

7 The Energy Policy and Conservation Act is amended
 8 by inserting after section 324A (42 U.S.C. 6294a) the fol-
 9 lowing:

10 **“SEC. 324B. SUPPLY STAR PROGRAM.**

11 “(a) IN GENERAL.—There is established within the
 12 Department of Energy a Supply Star program to identify
 13 and promote practices, *recognize* companies, and, as ap-
 14 propriate, *recognize* products that use highly efficient sup-
 15 ply chains in a manner that conserves energy, water, and
 16 other resources.

17 “(b) COORDINATION.—In carrying out the program
 18 described in subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

19 “(1) consult with other appropriate agencies;
 20 and

21 “(2) coordinate efforts with the Energy Star
 22 program established under section 324A.

23 “(c) DUTIES.—In carrying out the Supply Star pro-
 24 gram described in subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

1 “(1) promote practices, *recognize* companies,
 2 and, as appropriate, *recognize* products that comply
 3 with the Supply Star program as the preferred prac-
 4 tices, companies, and products in the marketplace
 5 for maximizing supply chain efficiency;

6 “(2) work to enhance industry and public
 7 awareness of the Supply Star program;

8 “(3) collect and disseminate data on supply
 9 chain energy resource consumption;

10 “(4) develop and disseminate metrics, proc-
 11 esses, and analytical tools (including software) for
 12 evaluating supply chain energy resource use;

13 “(5) develop guidance at the sector level for im-
 14 proving supply chain efficiency;

15 “(6) work with domestic and international orga-
 16 nizations to harmonize approaches to analyzing sup-
 17 ply chain efficiency, including the development of a
 18 consistent set of tools, templates, calculators, and
 19 databases; and

20 “(7) work with industry, including small busi-
 21 nesses, to improve supply chain efficiency through
 22 activities that include—

23 “(A) developing and sharing best practices;

24 and

1 “(B) providing opportunities to benchmark
2 supply chain efficiency.

3 “(d) EVALUATION.—In any evaluation of supply
4 chain efficiency ~~carried out by the Secretary, the Secretary~~
5 ~~shall consider energy and resource~~*carried out by the Sec-*
6 *retary with respect to a specific product, the Secretary shall*
7 *consider energy consumption and resource use throughout*
8 the entire lifecycle of a product, including production,
9 transport, packaging, use, and disposal.

10 “(e) GRANTS AND INCENTIVES.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may award
12 grants or other forms of incentives on a competitive
13 basis to eligible entities, as determined by the Sec-
14 retary, for the purposes of—

15 “(A) studying supply chain energy resource
16 efficiency; and

17 “(B) demonstrating and achieving reduc-
18 tions in the energy resource consumption of
19 commercial products through changes and im-
20 provements to the production supply and dis-
21 tribution chain of the products.

22 “(2) USE OF INFORMATION.—Any information
23 or data generated as a result of the grants or incen-
24 tives described in paragraph (1) shall be used to in-
25 form the development of the Supply Star Program.

1 “(f) TRAINING.—The Secretary shall use funds to
 2 support professional training programs to develop and
 3 communicate methods, practices, and tools for improving
 4 supply chain efficiency.

5 “(g) *EFFECT OF IMPACT ON CLIMATE CHANGE.*—*For*
 6 *purposes of this section, the impact on climate change shall*
 7 *not be a factor in determining supply chain efficiency.*

8 “(h) *EFFECT OF OUTSOURCING OF AMERICAN JOBS.*—
 9 *For purposes of this section, the outsourcing of American*
 10 *jobs in the production of a product shall not count as a*
 11 *positive factor in determining supply chain efficiency.*

12 “~~(g)~~(i) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—
 13 There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this
 14 section such sums as are necessary.”.

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to establish within the Department of Energy a Supply Star program to identify and promote practices, recognize companies, and recognize products that use highly efficient supply chains in a manner that conserves energy, water, and other resources.”.

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