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H. R. 6578

To exempt decorative hearth products from energy efficiency regulation under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 23, 2012

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS (for herself, Mr. KLINE, and Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

To exempt decorative hearth products from energy efficiency regulation under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

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. DECORATIVE HEARTH PRODUCTS.**

4 Section 321 of the Energy Policy and Conservation
5 Act (42 U.S.C. 6291) is amended by inserting at the end
6 the following:

7 “(67) DECORATIVE HEARTH PRODUCTS.—(A)

8 The term ‘decorative hearth product’ means a vent-
9 ed gas fireplace, stove, gas fireplace insert, or gas
10 log set that—

1 “(i) is not certified to the ANSI Z21.88
2 standard and, in the case of vented gas fire-
3 places, stoves, and gas fireplace inserts, is cer-
4 tified to the ANSI Z21.50 standard; and

5 “(ii) is sold without a thermostat and with
6 a warranty provision expressly voiding all man-
7 ufacturer warranties in the event the product is
8 used with a thermostat.

9 “(B) A vented gas fireplace, stove, gas fireplace
10 insert, or gas log set that is not a decorative hearth
11 product as defined in subparagraph (A) shall be
12 treated as direct heating equipment for purposes of
13 this part.

14 “(C) Decorative hearth products shall not be
15 considered direct heating equipment and may not be
16 classified as covered products under this part.”.

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