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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. VITTER (for himself and Mr. INHOFE) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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. DEFINITION OF ADMINISTRATOR.**

4 In this Act, the term “Administrator” means the Ad-
5 ministrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds that—

1 (1) in 1997, the Senate adopted Senate Resolu-
2 tion 98, 105th Congress, agreed to July 25, 1997,
3 which expressed the sense of the Senate that the
4 United States should not accept any agreement that
5 would mandate new commitments to limit or reduce
6 greenhouse gas emissions by developed countries un-
7 less the agreement also mandated new specific
8 scheduled commitments to limit or reduce green-
9 house gas emissions by developing countries within
10 the same compliance period; and

11 (2) the Administrator continues to move for-
12 ward with the regulation of carbon dioxide emis-
13 sions, however, the People's Republic of China,
14 India, and the Russian Federation do not impose
15 similar regulations on carbon dioxide emissions.

16 **SEC. 3. CARBON DIOXIDE AND OTHER GREENHOUSE GAS**
17 **EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS IN CHINA, INDIA,**
18 **AND RUSSIA.**

19 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Ad-
20 ministrator or the head of any other Federal agency or
21 department shall not regulate or continue to implement
22 or enforce any regulations, proposals, or actions estab-
23 lishing any carbon dioxide or greenhouse gas emissions re-
24 ductions until the Administrator, the Administrator of the

1 Energy Information Agency, and the Secretary of Com-
2 merce certify in writing that—

3 (1) the People’s Republic of China, India, and
4 the Russian Federation have proposed, implemented,
5 and enforced measures requiring carbon dioxide and
6 other greenhouse gas emissions reductions; and

7 (2) the reductions described in paragraph (1)
8 are substantially similar to the carbon dioxide and
9 other greenhouse gas emission reductions proposed
10 by the Administrator or the head of any other Fed-
11 eral agency or department for the United States.

12 **SEC. 4. REPEAL.**

13 Any regulation, proposal, or action in effect before,
14 on, or after the date of enactment of this Act, but before
15 the date on which the certification under section 3 is
16 made, that requires any carbon dioxide or other green-
17 house gas emissions reduction shall have no force or effect.

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