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To amend the Clean Air Act to eliminate the renewable fuel standard advanced biofuel corn starch prohibition, and for other purposes.

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Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS (for herself, Mr. HUNT, Mrs. BICE, Ms. BUDZINSKI, and Mr. SORENSEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Fuels Parity Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ELIMINATING RENEWABLE FUEL STANDARD AD-**
2 **VANCED BIOFUEL CORN STARCH PROHIBI-**
3 **TION.**

4 (a) **ADVANCED BIOFUEL DEFINITION.**—Section
5 211(o)(1)(B) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C.
6 7545(o)(1)(B)) is amended—

7 (1) in clause (i), by striking “, other than eth-
8 anol derived from corn starch,”; and

9 (2) in subclause (ii)(II), by striking “(other
10 than corn starch)” and inserting “, including corn
11 starch”.

12 (b) **CONFORMING CHANGE.**—Section 211(o)(1) of the
13 Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7545(o)(1)) is amended by strik-
14 ing subparagraph (F) (relating to the definition of conven-
15 tional biofuel).

16 (c) **APPLICABILITY.**—The amendments made by sub-
17 sections (a) and (b) shall apply beginning with the first
18 calendar year that begins after the date of enactment of
19 this Act.

20 **SEC. 3. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS FROM CORN-BASED**
21 **ETHANOL AND BIOMASS-BASED DIESEL.**

22 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to subsection (b), not
23 later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act,
24 and every 5 years thereafter, the Administrator of the En-
25 vironmental Protection Agency (in this section referred to
26 as the “Administrator”) shall update the methodology

1 used by the Environmental Protection Agency in lifecycle
2 analyses with respect to—

3 (1) greenhouse gas emissions that result from
4 ethanol derived from corn starch; and

5 (2) greenhouse gas emissions that result from
6 biomass-based diesel (as defined in section
7 211(o)(1)(D) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C.
8 7545(o)(1)(D)).

9 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—

10 (1) FIRST UPDATE.—In carrying out the first
11 update required under subsection (a), the Adminis-
12 trator shall adopt the most recent Greenhouse
13 Gases, Regulated Emissions, and Energy Use in
14 Transportation model (commonly referred to as the
15 “GREET model”) developed by Argonne National
16 Laboratory.

17 (2) SUBSEQUENT UPDATES.—In carrying out
18 the second and each subsequent update required
19 under subsection (a), the Administrator shall—

20 (A) as necessary, adopt, review, or update
21 a methodology determined to be appropriate by
22 the Administrator; or

23 (B) adopt the methodology described in
24 paragraph (1).

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