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MEMORANDUM

To: Subcommittee on Environment Members and Staff
From: Committee Majority Staff
Re: Subcommittee on Environment Markup on July 14, 2026

I. INTRODUCTION

The Subcommittee on Environment will hold a markup on Tuesday, July 14, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. (ET) in 2123 Rayburn House Office Building. The markup will consider the following legislation:

- H.R. 2140, Diesel Emissions Reduction Act of 2025 (Reps. Matsui and Langworthy)
- H.R. 3194, Lifting Overburdensome Commerce Obstructions and Motives (LOCOMOTIVES) Act (Rep. Moolenaar)
- H.R. 9317, Buses Utilizing Safety and Environmental Standards (BUSES) Act (Reps. Langworthy and Gottheimer)
- H.R. 9615, Battery Recycling for America's Competitive Economy (BRACE) Act (Rep. Miller-Meeks)
- H.R. 9616, Environmental Monitoring and Remediation Technology Assessment Initiative (EMRTAI) Act of 2026 (Reps. Pfluger and Landsman)
- H.R. 9617, Coordinating and Harnessing America's Recovery of Minerals (CHARM) Act (Reps. Palmer and Tonko)
- H.R. 9618, Diesel Engine Flexibility (DEF) Act (Reps. Fedorchak and Davis (NC))

II. LEGISLATION

A. H.R. 2140, Diesel Emissions Reduction Act of 2025 (Reps. Matsui and Langworthy)

This legislation amends section 797(a) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to extend the authorization of the Diesel Emissions Reduction Act grant program to 2029.

B. H.R. 3194, Lifting Overburdensome Commerce Obstructions and Motives (LOCOMOTIVES) Act (Rep. Moolenaar)

This legislation amends section 209 of the Clean Air Act to preempt state-level emissions standards from applying to locomotives and engines used in locomotives, engaged in interstate commerce, creating a consistent national standard.

C. H.R. 9317, Buses Utilizing Safety and Environmental Standards (BUSES) Act (Reps. Langworthy and Gottheimer)

This legislation amends Clean Air Act sections 110(a) and 304 to create a uniform national standard for over-the-road and school buses to idle for a period of less than 15 minutes.

D. H.R. 9615, Battery Recycling for America's Competitive Economy (BRACE) Act (Rep. Miller-Meeks)

This legislation allows destination facilities, which are not allowed to store lithium-ion batteries under existing universal waste regulations without a full hazardous waste permit, to store those batteries prior to recycling them. It specifies that these destination facilities shall do so in accordance with certain regulations for universal waste handlers, which are allowed to store lithium-ion batteries. The bill also updates the Mercury-Containing and Rechargeable Battery Management Act's language preempting state regulation of rechargeable batteries to reference current regulations.¹

E. H.R. 9616, Environmental Monitoring and Remediation Technology Assessment Initiative (EMRTAI) Act (Reps. Pfluger and Landsman)

This legislation would authorize the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to establish a program to investigate, evaluate, and support processes, methods, and systems which may be utilized to identify sources of critical materials at contaminated sites as well as recovery of such critical minerals.

F. H.R. 9617, Coordinating and Harnessing America's Recovery of Minerals (CHARM) Act (Reps. Palmer and Tonko)

This legislation directs the EPA Administrator, in consultation with the heads of other federal agencies, to develop and carry out a National Critical Mineral Recovery Strategy to coordinate federal efforts to recover critical minerals from discarded materials.

G. H.R. 9618, DEF Engine Flexibility Act (Reps. Fedorchak and Davis (NC))

This legislation creates a 10-year statutory safe harbor for activities covered under existing guidance published by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on diesel exhaust fluid (DEF) quality monitoring and selective catalytic reduction (SCR) inducement standards.

¹ Pub. L. No. 104-142 § 104(a) (42 U.S.C. § 14323).

III. STAFF CONTACTS

If you have any questions regarding this markup, please contact Byron Brown, Christi Harsha, or Katharine Willey of the Committee Staff at (202) 225-3641.