

Public Law 99-516
99th Congress

An Act

To amend the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act of 1968 and the Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Act of 1979 to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1987, and for other purposes.

Oct. 22, 1986
[H.R. 2092]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. NATURAL GAS PIPELINE SAFETY AUTHORIZATION.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 17(a) of the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act of 1968 (49 U.S.C. App. 1684(a)) is amended—

(1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph (3);

(2) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (4) and inserting “; and”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(5) \$3,200,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1987.”

(b) **GRANTS.**—Section 17(c) of such Act (49 U.S.C. App. 1684(c)) is amended by inserting “, and \$5,200,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1987” after “September 30, 1986”.

SEC. 2. HAZARDOUS LIQUID PIPELINE SAFETY AUTHORIZATION.

Section 214(a) of the Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Act of 1979 (49 U.S.C. App. 2013(a)) is amended—

(1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph (3);

(2) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (4) and inserting “; and”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(5) \$800,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1987.”

SEC. 3. REPORTING OF SAFETY-RELATED CONDITIONS.

(a) **AMENDMENTS TO NATURAL GAS PIPELINE SAFETY ACT OF 1968.**—

(1) **REPORTING REQUIREMENT.**—Section 3(a) of the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act of 1968 (49 U.S.C. App. 1672(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(3) Not later than 12 months after the date of the enactment of this paragraph, the Secretary shall issue regulations requiring each person who operates pipeline facilities, not including master meters, to report to the Secretary—

Regulations.

“(A) any condition that constitutes a hazard to life or property, and

“(B) any safety-related condition that causes or has caused a significant change or restriction in the operation of pipeline facilities.

Reports submitted under this paragraph shall be in writing and shall be received by the Secretary within 5 working days after any representative of a person subject to the reporting requirements of this paragraph first determines that such condition exists. Notice of any such condition shall concurrently be supplied to appropriate State authorities.”

State and local governments.

(2) INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE PLANS.—Section 13 of such Act (49 U.S.C. App. 1680) is amended by inserting after the fourth sentence the following: "Such plan shall include terms designed to enhance the ability to discover safety-related conditions described in section 3(a)(3)."

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(b) AMENDMENTS TO HAZARDOUS LIQUID PIPELINE SAFETY ACT OF 1979.—

(1) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—Section 203(a) of the Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Act of 1979 (49 U.S.C. App. 2002(a)) is amended—

(A) by inserting "(1)" after "(a)"; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

Regulations.

"(2) Not later than 12 months after the date of the enactment of this paragraph, the Secretary shall issue regulations requiring each person who operates pipeline facilities to report to the Secretary—

"(A) any condition that constitutes a hazard to life or property, and

"(B) any safety-related condition that causes or has caused a significant change or restriction in the operation of pipeline facilities.

State and local governments.

Reports submitted under this paragraph shall be in writing and shall be received by the Secretary within 5 working days after any representative of a person subject to the reporting requirements of this paragraph first determines that such condition exists. Notice of any such condition shall concurrently be supplied to appropriate State authorities."

(2) INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE PLANS.—Section 210 of such Act (49 U.S.C. App. 2009) is amended by inserting after the last sentence the following: "Such plans shall include terms designed to enhance the ability to discover safety-related conditions described in section 203(a)(2)."

Supra.

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