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Regulatory Time-Out Act of 2011

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 12, 2011

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 1786	Related bill	**Nov 3, 2011:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure under the order of 11/2/2011, not having achieved 60 votes in the affirmative, was rejected in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 47 - 53. Record Vote Number: 196. (consideration: CR S7113)
112 HR 3194	Related bill	**Nov 2, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending .
112 HR 3257	Related bill	**Nov 2, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law.

Summary (as of Sep 12, 2011)

Regulatory Time-Out Act of 2011 - Suspends the effective date of certain covered regulations for one-year beginning on the enactment of this Act. Defines a "covered regulation" as a final regulation that did not take effect before September 1, 2011, that increases costs on businesses in a manner that will have an adverse effect on job creation, job retention, productivity, competitiveness, or the efficient functioning of the economy, and that is likely to: (1) have an annual effect on the economy of $100 million or more; (2) adversely affect in a material way the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or state, local, or tribal governments or communities; (3) create a serious inconsistency or otherwise interfere with an action by another agency; (4) materially alter the budgetary impact of entitlements, grants, user fees, or loan programs or the rights and obligations of recipients; or (5) raise novel legal or policy issues.

Allows agency heads to exempt covered regulations that: (1) are necessary due to an imminent threat to human health or safety or any other emergency; (2) are necessary to enforce criminal laws, (3) foster private sector job creation; (4) encourage economic growth; (5) reduce regulatory burdens; (6) pertain to a military or foreign affairs function; or (7) are limited to interpreting, implementing, or administering the Internal Revenue Code.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 12, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Sep 12, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5500-5503)
- **Sep 12, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.