

H.R. 5226, the Regulatory Integrity Act of 2016

Section-by-Section

Section 1. Short Title

Establishes the short title as “The Regulatory Integrity Act of 2016”

Section 2. Publication of Information Relating to Pending Regulatory Actions

Adds section 307 to chapter 3 of title 5 of the United States Code.

Subsection (a) of section 307 sets definitions for agency regulatory action, aggrandizement, public communication, and rule making.

Subsection (b) of section 307 requires agencies to make available online information about public communications about pending regulatory actions.

Subsection (c) of section 307 sets requirements for public communications about pending regulatory actions by requiring agencies to specify if they are considering alternatives or accepting comments, and that the agency is the source of the communication, and prohibiting agencies from soliciting support for the pending regulatory action and making statements of aggrandizement.

Subsection (d) of section 307 requires agencies to annually report about public communication activity about pending regulatory actions.