

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 577

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 8, 2017

Mr. LANKFORD (for himself and Mr. RISCH) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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 “Providing Account-
5 ability Through Transparency Act of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT TO POST A 100 WORD SUMMARY TO**
7 **REGULATIONS.GOV.**

8 Section 553(b) of title 5, United States Code, is
9 amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (2) by striking “and” at the
2 end;

3 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking the period at
4 the end and inserting “; and”; and

5 (3) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-
6 lowing:

7 “(4) the Internet address of a summary of not
8 more than 100 words in length of the proposed rule,
9 in plain language, that shall be posted on the Inter-
10 net website under section 206(d) of the E-Govern-
11 ment Act of 2002 (44 U.S.C. 3501 note) (commonly
12 known as regulations.gov).”.

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