

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: In the nature of a substitute.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—118th Cong., 2d Sess.**

**S. 4045**

To require a study on public health impacts as a consequence of the February 3, 2023, train derailment in East Palestine, Ohio.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and  
ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended  
to be proposed by \_\_\_\_\_

Viz:

1 Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the fol-  
2 lowing:

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “East Palestine Health  
5 Impact Monitoring Act of 2024”.

6 **SEC. 2. STUDY ON PUBLIC HEALTH IMPACTS AS A CON-**

7 **SEQUENCE OF THE TRAIN DERAILMENT IN**

8 **EAST PALESTINE, OHIO.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and  
10 Human Services (referred to in this section as the “Sec-  
11 retary”) shall award a grant, contract, or cooperative

1 agreement to an eligible entity for purposes of conducting  
2 a longitudinal study on any human health effects as a con-  
3 sequence of the February 3, 2023, train derailment in  
4 East Palestine, Ohio, and subsequent venting and burning  
5 of chemicals.

6 (b) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—To be eligible for the award  
7 under subsection (a), an entity shall be a consortium of  
8 public or private institutions of higher education that dem-  
9 onstrates requisite capacity and expertise to carry out the  
10 study described in such subsection. The Secretary shall  
11 give additional consideration to eligible entities that have  
12 established relationships within the affected communities  
13 of Ohio and Pennsylvania.

14 (c) REPORTS.—The Secretary shall submit to the  
15 Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of  
16 the Senate and the Committee on Energy and Commerce  
17 of the House of Representatives—

18 (1) not later than 2 years after the date on  
19 which an award is made under subsection (a), a re-  
20 port summarizing the progress of the study under  
21 such subsection, including a description of any chal-  
22 lenges related to conducting the study and an antici-  
23 pated timeline for completion of the study and publi-  
24 cation of the results of the study; and

1           (2) not later than 1 year after publication of  
2           the results of the study, a report describing such re-  
3           sults and any ongoing or planned activities of the  
4           Secretary to support or conduct further research or,  
5           as appropriate, otherwise address the findings of  
6           such study.

7           (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—To carry  
8           out this Act, there is authorized to be appropriated such  
9           sums as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025, to remain  
10          available until September 30, 2029.