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The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has begun taking and posting public comments on the Frank-Dodds Act. The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act includes provisions that require the SEC to undertake various initiatives, including rulemaking and studies touching on many areas of financial regulation.

Members of the public interested in making their views known on these matters, even before official comment periods may be opened, are invited to submit those views via the SEC website. The website lists the major regulatory topics of the bill, and has email addresses and web forms set up to take comments. This includes Title XV - Miscellaneous Provisions: Specialized Disclosures (conflict minerals, mine safety, and payments by resource extraction issuers).

The Commission will post all submissions on this page of the Commission's Internet Web site. All submissions received will be posted without change; they do not edit personal identifying information from submissions.

To make a submission, visit <http://sec.gov/spotlight/regreformcomments.shtml> . Title XV is near the bottom of the page, and comments already submitted are available for view.