

# HR 2154

Military Environmental Responsibility Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Rep. Pelosi, Nancy [D-CA-8]	D · CA	Jun 13, 2001
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## **Committee Activity**

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Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 6, 2001
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 20, 2001
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 25, 2001
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 16, 2001
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 13, 2001
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 14, 2001
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### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

**Policy Area:** 

Armed Forces and National Security

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

**Summary** (as of Jun 13, 2001)

Military Environmental Responsibility Act - Requires the Department of Defense (DOD) and defense-related agencies (the Department of Energy, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Office of Naval Nuclear Reactors, and any others as designated by the President) to fully comply with designated Federal and State environmental laws, including those related to public health and safety, to the same extent as any other entities subject to such laws. Waives any immunity of the United States with respect to such laws as applied to DOD and any defense-related agency. Provides for administrative enforcement actions.

Requires the Secretary of Defense, for each weapon system for which congressional budget justification is required, to ensure that all development and procurement decisions comply with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

Repeals: (1) a Federal provision prohibiting the use of certain military appropriation accounts for the payment of fines and penalties for environmental noncompliance; and (2) a provision of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 which prohibits the use of defense funds to conduct treatment, storage, or disposal activities at sites designated under the Formerly Utilized Site Remedial Action Program.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Dec 6, 2001: Executive Comment Requested from DOD, DOE.
- Dec 6, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Readiness.
- Aug 20, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.
- Jul 16, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law.
- Jun 25, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.
- Jun 14, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- Jun 14, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.
- Jun 14, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- Jun 14, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
- Jun 14, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.
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