

HR 306

Drinking Water Standards Preservation Act of 2003

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Chamber: House

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 3, 2003
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 6, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Drinking Water Standards Preservation Act of 2003 - Amends the Safe Drinking Water Act to establish liability standards for a public water system for damages allegedly caused by delivery of contaminated water containing either regulated or unregulated contaminants.

Requires for both regulated and unregulated contaminants that there be substantial scientific evidence that the kind of injury alleged could be caused by such substance in the amounts present and that the substance did, in fact, cause the injury.

Requires proof, in the case of regulated contaminants, that the water system violated the regulation, was negligent and that the violation caused the injury.

Requires proof, in the case of unregulated contaminants, that the water system knew or should have known that the substance at that level was likely to cause such injury and that it was feasible to remove the contaminant to a safe level.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 6, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law.
- **Feb 3, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials.
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