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Anacostia Watershed Initiative Act of 2005

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** MD • **Chamber:** Senate

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Committee Activity

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Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 22, 2005

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 2509	Related bill	May 20, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

Anacostia Watershed Initiative Act of 2005 - Amends the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish within the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) the Anacostia Watershed Restoration Initiative.

Creates the Anacostia Watershed Council to develop, carry out, and provide assistance and recommendations with respect to the Initiative. Requires: (1) the Council to develop a ten-year comprehensive action plan for the Anacostia Watershed in Maryland and the District of Columbia; (2) the EPA Administrator to approve the Council's action plan if it meets the requirements of this Act; (3) the Council to submit annual reports on the Initiative to appropriate committees of Congress; and (4) specified federal agencies to assist the Initiative.

Authorizes the Administrator to provide eligible entities with financial and technical assistance to: (1) conduct research; (2) implement the approved action plan; (3) provide interdisciplinary training; (4) enhance understanding of environmental issues; and (5) develop and disseminate educational resources and opportunities. Limits federal funds available for such assistance to 75 percent of total project costs.

Amends the WRDA to authorize the Secretary of the Army to provide funding for implementation of a combined sewer overflow control plan in the District of Columbia.

Requires the Secretary, acting through the Chief of Engineers, to establish a program to provide environmental assistance to non-federal interests in the Anacostia River Basin. Limits the federal share of funds for such cooperation agreements to 75 percent of total project costs, except that the non-federal share for operation and maintenance costs shall be 100 percent.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 22, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 22, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8751-8752)
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