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Gulf Coast Emergency Water Infrastructure Assistance Act

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Environmental Protection

Introduced: Sep 15, 2005

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment. (Sep 28, 2005)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 27, 2005
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Sep 27, 2005
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 28, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Gulf Coast Emergency Water Infrastructure Assistance Act - Allows Alabama, Louisiana, and Mississippi, for a period of two years, to: (1) provide certain subsidies and loan extensions for projects to repair, replace, or rebuild publicly-owned treatment works, including privately-owned utilities that principally treat municipal wastewater or sewage works, and water quality projects in areas affected by Hurricane Katrina or a related condition; (2) provide assistance to such projects that are not included on the priority lists of such states under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act; and (3) provide assistance to a public water system that is not included on the priority lists of such states under the Safe Drinking Water Act if the project involves damage caused by Hurricane Katrina or a related condition and complies with use of funds requirements under such Act.

Authorizes the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to test a drinking water well owned or operated by a homeowner that is, or may be, contaminated due to Hurricane Katrina or a related condition.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 28, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- Sep 27, 2005: Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works discharged by Unanimous Consent.
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- Sep 27, 2005: Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S10481)
- Sep 27, 2005: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- Sep 27, 2005: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- Sep 27, 2005: Received in the House.
- Sep 27, 2005: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Sep 27, 2005: Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
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- Sep 15, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- Sep 15, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.