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Community Drinking Water Assistance Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** NM • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (5 total)

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Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	D · NM		Apr 4, 2005
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	R · NE		Apr 4, 2005
Sen. Stevens, Ted [R-AK]	R · AK		May 25, 2005
Sen. Dorgan, Byron L. [D-ND]	D · ND		Jun 8, 2005
Sen. Ensign, John [R-NV]	R · NV		Jun 20, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 4, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 2417	Identical bill	Jun 3, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials.

Community Drinking Water Assistance Act - Amends the Safe Drinking Water Act to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to establish a program of grants for small public water systems (those serving populations of not more than 200,000 or located in specified communities) in disadvantaged communities, or in those that may become disadvantaged as a result of compliance with drinking water standards, for use in carrying out projects and activities to comply with such standards. Requires the Administrator to: (1) give priority in awarding grants based on, first, the financial need of the community and, second, the per capita cost of the community's compliance; and (2) ensure that not less than 20 percent of grant funds are used for activities in communities with populations of less than 50,000.

Sets forth the process for applications. Limits the Federal share of costs for grant-funded activities to 90 percent of the total.

Provides temporary relief from enforcement of drinking water standards for eligible entities during and after the grant application process.

Delays implementation or enforcement by the Administrator of an arsenic standard in any State until the earlier of January 1, 2006, or the date on which the Administrator certifies that the program has been implemented in that State and the State has made substantial progress in drinking water standards compliance.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 4, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 4, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3149-3150)
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