

## S 3481

A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify Federal responsibility for stormwater pollution.

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

**Introduced:** Jun 10, 2010

**Current Status:** Became Public Law No: 111-378.

**Latest Action:** Became Public Law No: 111-378. (Jan 4, 2011)

**Law:** 111-378 (Enacted Jan 4, 2011)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-bill/3481>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]

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

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Jun 16, 2010
Sen. Voinovich, George V. [R-OH]	R · OH		Jun 22, 2010
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jun 24, 2010

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Reported By	Dec 17, 2010

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 5724	Identical bill	<b>Jul 14, 2010:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

Amends the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (commonly known as the Clean Water Act) to provide that reasonable service charges applicable to federal entities for water pollution include any reasonable nondiscriminatory fee, charge, or assessment that is: (1) based on some fair approximation of the proportionate contribution of the property or facility to stormwater pollution; and (2) used to pay or reimburse the costs associated with any stormwater management program (whether associated with a separate storm sewer system or a system that manages a combination of stormwater and sanitary waste), including the full range of costs attributable to collecting stormwater, reducing pollutants in stormwater, and reducing the volume and rate of stormwater discharge, regardless of whether that charge is denominated a tax.

Limits payments of such charges so that: (1) they shall not be made using funds from any permanent authorization account in the Treasury; and (2) federal entities shall not be obligated to pay or reimburse any such charge, except to the extent and in an amount provided in advance by any appropriations Act to pay or reimburse the charge.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Jan 4, 2011:** Signed by President.
- **Jan 4, 2011:** Became Public Law No: 111-378.
- **Dec 28, 2010:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 22, 2010:** Considered by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR H8978-8980)
- **Dec 22, 2010:** Mr. Perriello asked unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table and consider.
- **Dec 22, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed without objection.(text: CR H8978)
- **Dec 22, 2010:** On passage Passed without objection. (text: CR H8978)
- **Dec 22, 2010:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 22, 2010:** Cleared for White House.
- **Dec 21, 2010:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S10933)
- **Dec 21, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 21, 2010:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 21, 2010:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 21, 2010:** Held at the desk.
- **Dec 21, 2010:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 17, 2010:** Committee on Environment and Public Works. Reported by Senator Boxer without amendment. Without written report.
- **Dec 17, 2010:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 715.
- **Jun 30, 2010:** Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jun 10, 2010:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 10, 2010:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4855-4856)
- **Jun 10, 2010:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4856)