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Preserve the Waters of the United States Act

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| Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT] | R · UT | | May 15, 2012 |
| Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ] | R · AZ | | May 15, 2012 |
| Sen. DeMint, Jim [R-SC] | R · SC | | May 16, 2012 |
| Sen. Shelby, Richard C. [R-AL] | R · AL | | May 16, 2012 |
| Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC] | R · NC | | Jul 31, 2012 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Environment and Public Works Committee | Senate | Referred To | Mar 28, 2012 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 112 HR 4965 | Related bill | Sep 20, 2012: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 492. |

Summary (as of Mar 28, 2012)

Preserve the Waters of the United States Act - Prohibits the Secretary of the Army and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) from: (1) finalizing the proposed guidance described in the notice of availability and request for comments entitled "EPA and Army Corps of Engineers Guidance Regarding Identification of Waters Protected by the Clean Water Act"; or (2) using such guidance, or any substantially similar guidance, as the basis for any decision regarding the scope of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (commonly known as the Clean Water Act) or any rulemaking. Provides that the use of such guidance as the basis for any rule shall be grounds for vacation of such rule.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 28, 2012:** Introduced in Senate
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