

## HR 332

### Military Environmental Responsibility Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Armed Forces and National Security

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections. (Feb 25, 2011)

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## Sponsor

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Rep. Honda, Michael M. [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Mar 3, 2011
Rep. Farr, Sam [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Jul 21, 2011

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 4, 2011
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 25, 2011
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 1, 2011
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 19, 2011
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 20, 2011

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Summary** (as of Jan 19, 2011)

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Military Environmental Responsibility Act - Requires the Department of Defense (DOD) and defense-related agencies (the Department of Energy [DOE], the Nuclear Regulatory Commission [NRC], the Office of Naval Nuclear Reactors, and any others as designated by the President) to fully comply with designated federal and state environmental laws, including those related to public health and safety, to the same extent as any other entities subject to such laws. Waives any immunity of the United States with respect to such laws as applied to DOD and any defense-related agency. Provides for administrative enforcement actions.

Requires the Secretary of Defense, for each weapon system for which congressional budget justification is required, to ensure that all development and procurement decisions comply with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

Repeals prohibitions: (1) on the use of certain military appropriation accounts for the payment of fines and penalties for environmental noncompliance; and (2) forbidding the use of defense funds to conduct treatment, storage, or disposal activities at sites designated under the Formerly Utilized Site Remedial Action Program.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Feb 25, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.
- **Feb 4, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Readiness.
- **Feb 1, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy.
- **Jan 24, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E101)
- **Jan 20, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Jan 19, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 19, 2011:** Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Transportation and Infrastructure, Natural Resources, and Education and the Workforce, 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.