

HR 6345

General Duty Clarification Act of 2012

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Environmental Protection

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power. (Aug 3, 2012)

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Long, Billy [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Sep 20, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 3, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 3529	Related bill	Sep 11, 2012: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Summary (as of Aug 2, 2012)

General Duty Clarification Act of 2012 - Amends the Clean Air Act, with respect to provisions relating to the prevention of accidental releases of hazardous air pollutants, to provide that no entity may be found in violation of such provisions until the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): (1) promulgates final regulations establishing criteria defining the terms "extremely hazardous substance," "appropriate hazard assessment techniques," and "design and maintain a safe facility"; and (2) issues guidelines to ensure that enforcement of such provisions is handled by the regional offices of EPA in a uniform and appropriate manner across all regions of the United States.

Modifies the definition of "accidental release" to exclude an emission resulting from an intentional act.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 3, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power.
- **Aug 2, 2012:** Introduced in House
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