

HR 4978

Bottled Water Quality Information Act

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Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jun 26, 2014)

Bottled Water Quality Information Act - Amends the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to issue regulations requiring each bottled water manufacturer or distributor to annually prepare a report that includes the following:

- the manufacturer's or distributor's name and contact information;
- type of water source;
- a plainly worded definition of "Standard of Identity" and "Standard of Quality" as prescribed in current bottled water regulations;
- a brief description of primary treatment methods used; and
- test results for the water's microbiological, physical, chemical, and radiological quality.

Requires the Secretary to issue regulations requiring each bottled water label to include the following:

- the manufacturer's or distributor's name and contact information,
- a statement notifying consumers how to obtain the quality report required by this Act, and
- type of water source.

Prescribes means by which refillable and reusable multiservice containers may fulfill this Act's requirements.

Preempts inconsistent state or local reporting or labeling requirements.

Prohibits the distribution of bottled water products not in compliance with this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 26, 2014:** Introduced in House
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