

HR 2030

READ Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Environmental Protection

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy. (May 1, 2015)

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Sponsor

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Rep. Walz, Timothy J. [D-MN-1]	D · MN		Apr 26, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 1, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 700	Identical bill	Mar 10, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1387-1388)

Summary (as of Apr 27, 2015)

Reducing Exposure to Asbestos Database Act of 2015 or the READ Act

This bill amends the Asbestos Information Act of 1988 to require the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to establish and maintain a database of asbestos-containing products. The database must be accessible through EPA's website, publicly available, and searchable. An asbestos-containing product is any product to which asbestos is deliberately or knowingly added or in which asbestos is deliberately used or knowingly present in any concentration.

Any person who manufactured, processed, distributed, sold, imported, transported, or stored an asbestos-containing product must report to the EPA each year to identify the characteristics and location of the asbestos-containing products.

Civil penalties are imposed upon any person who knowingly: (1) manufactured, processed, distributed, sold, imported, transported, or stored an asbestos-containing product and who did not submit a report; or (2) provides false or inaccurate information in a report or fails to provide required information.

The Government Accountability Office must report on the utility of the database. The report must contain recommendations for measures to increase use of the database by consumers and further reduce the harm caused by exposure to asbestos.

Actions Timeline

- **May 1, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy.
- **Apr 27, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 27, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.