

## HR 4468

Water Infrastructure Trust Fund Act of 2016

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** OR • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Duncan, John J., Jr. [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Feb 4, 2016
Rep. Hanna, Richard L. [R-NY-22]	R · NY		Feb 4, 2016

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 5, 2016
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 5, 2016
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 4, 2016

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 2848	Related bill	Sep 19, 2016: Held at the desk.

## Water Infrastructure Trust Fund Act of 2016

This bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to establish in the Treasury a Water Infrastructure Investment Trust Fund and appropriates to it amounts equivalent to the fees received in the Treasury before January 1, 2022, under this Act.

The bill requires 85% of amounts in the Fund to be available to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for capitalization grants under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (commonly known as the Clean Water Act or CWA) and 15% to be available for capitalization grants under the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Amounts in the Fund may not be made available for a fiscal year unless the amount of funds appropriated to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund through annual capitalization grants is not less than the average of the annual amounts provided in capitalization grants under the CWA for the immediately preceding five-fiscal-year period.

The Department of the Treasury shall: (1) implement a program under which it provides a label suitable for placement on products (for a fee of three cents per unit) to inform consumers that the manufacturer, producer, or importer of the product and other stakeholders participate in the Fund and are contributing to America's clean water; and (2) deposit amounts received in the Treasury.

The EPA, with participation by the states, shall conduct a study to: (1) assess the affordability gap faced by low-income populations located in urban and rural areas in obtaining services from clean water and drinking water systems; and (2) analyze options for programs to provide incentives for rate adjustments at the local level to achieve full cost or true value pricing for such services, while protecting low-income ratepayers from undue burden.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Feb 10, 2016:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H653)
- **Feb 5, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy.
- **Feb 5, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Feb 4, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 4, 2016:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E120)
- **Feb 4, 2016:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Energy and Commerce, 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.