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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 4, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 6460	Related bill	Dec 7, 2016: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
114 HR 6116	Related bill	Sep 22, 2016: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
114 HR 6154	Related bill	Sep 22, 2016: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
114 HR 1709	Related bill	Mar 27, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy.

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This bill amends the Safe Drinking Water Act to reauthorize the Act through FY2021.

The bill sets forth requirements concerning Safe Drinking Water Act State Revolving Fund (SRF) projects, including mandates for the use of bond sales, mandates to produce goods in the United States, and mandates to provide prevailing wages to laborers and mechanics.

The bill makes changes to provisions that states must include in their Intended Use Plans, including data on variances, exemptions, and persistent violations.

The bill amends the Safe Drinking Water Act to provide additional assistance to public water systems that serve disadvantaged communities.

The bill increases the portion of SRF funds that states may reserve to provide technical assistance to public water systems. Additionally, the bill increases the funds that may be reserved by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for use in the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and the Virgin Islands.

The EPA must: (1) study the presence of pharmaceuticals and personal care products in drinking water sources, (2) establish requirements for electronic submission of compliance monitoring data by public water systems, (3) collect data on best practices for administration of SRF programs, (4) implement a certification program for effective water leak control technology, (5) develop a strategic plan for assessing and managing the risks of drought to drinking water, (6) establish a grant program to assist water systems in improving drinking water resiliency and sustainability, and (7) establish a grant program to remove lead service lines from public water systems.

Actions Timeline

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