

## HR 5313

Water Affordability, Transparency, Equity, and Reliability Act of 2016

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment. (May 25, 2016)

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### Sponsor

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Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		May 24, 2016
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		May 24, 2016
Rep. Lawrence, Brenda L. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		May 24, 2016
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		May 24, 2016
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		May 24, 2016
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		May 24, 2016
Rep. Ellison, Keith [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Jun 13, 2016
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Jun 14, 2016
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Jun 22, 2016
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Jun 24, 2016
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Sep 7, 2016
Rep. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Sep 7, 2016
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Sep 7, 2016
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Sep 7, 2016
Rep. Lujan Grisham, Michelle [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Sep 22, 2016

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	May 24, 2016
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	May 25, 2016
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	May 24, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 3935	Related bill	Nov 5, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of May 24, 2016)

Water Affordability, Transparency, Equity, and Reliability Act of 2016

This bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to: (1) establish a Water Affordability, Transparency, Equity, and Reliability Trust Fund; (2) modify the definition of subpart F income (i.e., income of a controlled foreign corporation earned outside the United States that is not tax-deferred) to include income of a controlled foreign corporation derived from a foreign country; and (3) transfer that income to the fund.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) must allocate funds from the trust fund to specified clean water programs and drinking water programs, including the grant programs authorized or established by this bill.

The bill amends Federal Water Pollution Control Act (commonly known as the Clean Water Act) by authorizing the EPA to make grants for providing technical assistance concerning water and sanitation infrastructure and drinking water systems to rural and small municipalities and tribal governments. The EPA must establish a grant program for repairing, replacing, or upgrading septic tanks and drainage fields.

The bill revises requirements concerning the clean water state revolving fund (SRF) and the drinking water SRF.

The bill revises the Safe Drinking Water Act by requiring the EPA to establish a program to make grants to local educational agencies for: (1) installing, repairing, or replacing the infrastructure necessary for drinking water coolers, drinking water fountains, or bottle filling station; and (2) testing the quality of drinking water at schools in such local education agency.

Actions Timeline

- **May 25, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **May 24, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **May 24, 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.