

## HR 3906

### Innovative Stormwater Infrastructure Act of 2018

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

**Introduced:** Oct 2, 2017

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.  
(Jul 17, 2018)

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## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Heck, Denny [D-WA-10]

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

## Cosponsors (19 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Delaney, John K. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Katko, John [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Oct 12, 2017
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Oct 12, 2017
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Oct 12, 2017
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Nov 1, 2017
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Nov 16, 2017
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Jun 26, 2018

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 17, 2018
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred to	May 22, 2018
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Discharged from	Jun 27, 2018

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 3021	Related bill	Oct 23, 2018: Became Public Law No: 115-270.
115 HR 6944	Related bill	Sep 27, 2018: Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, 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.
115 S 1695	Related bill	Aug 1, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

## Summary (as of Oct 2, 2017)

### Innovative Stormwater Infrastructure Act of 2017

This bill requires the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to provide grants to eligible higher education institutions and research institutions to establish and maintain between three and five centers of excellence for innovative stormwater control infrastructure, which is any green stormwater management technique that: (1) uses natural systems or engineered systems that mimic natural processes to infiltrate, evapotranspire, or capture stormwater; and (2) preserves, enhances, or mimics natural hydrology to protect or restore water quality. One of the centers must be the national electronic clearinghouse center and operate a website and a public database on the infrastructure.

In addition, the EPA must provide grants to state, tribal, or local governments or entities that manage stormwater, drinking water resources, or wastewater resources for innovative stormwater control infrastructure projects.

The EPA must ensure that: (1) EPA's Office of Water, Office of Enforcement and Compliance, Office of Research and Development, and Office of Policy promote the use of the infrastructure in, and coordinate the integration of, permitting programs, planning efforts, research, technical assistance, and funding guidance; and (2) the Office of Water supports establishing innovative financing mechanisms in the implementation of the infrastructure. The EPA must: (1) direct each EPA regional office to promote and integrate the use of the infrastructure within the region, and (2) promote sharing information about the infrastructure approaches.

The EPA must establish the innovative stormwater control infrastructure portfolio standard of voluntary, measurable goals to increase the percentage of annual water managed by entities that use the infrastructure.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jul 17, 2018:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
- **Jul 16, 2018:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H. Rept. 115-828, Part I.
- **Jul 16, 2018:** Committee on Science, Space, and Technology discharged.
- **Jul 16, 2018:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 641.
- **Jul 16, 2018:** Mr. Graves (LA) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 16, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H6219-6221)
- **Jul 16, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3906.
- **Jul 16, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H6219)
- **Jul 16, 2018:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H6219)
- **Jul 16, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 16, 2018:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 27, 2018:** Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment Discharged.
- **Jun 27, 2018:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 27, 2018:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **May 22, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment.
- **Oct 3, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Oct 2, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 2, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, 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.