

## S 451

### Water Resources Research Amendments Act of 2017

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Water Resources Development

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**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (Feb 27, 2017)

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## Sponsor

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## Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 27, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Water Resources Development

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1663	Related bill	Mar 27, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans.

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This bill amends the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to: (1) declare that additional research is required into increasing the effectiveness and efficiency of new and existing treatment works through alternative approaches, including non-structural alternatives, decentralized approaches, energy use efficiency, water use efficiency, and actions to extract energy from wastewater; (2) require each water resources research and technology institute to arrange for research that fosters the exploration of new ideas that expand understanding of water resources (currently, of water-related phenomena); (3) direct the Department of the Interior to report to specified congressional committees annually on each institute's compliance with matching fund requirements and provisions permitting the use of funds only to reimburse direct cost expenditures incurred for the conduct of the water resources research program; and (4) authorize appropriations for such institutes through FY2022.

### Actions Timeline

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