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PFAS Accountability Act of 2019

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Sponsor

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Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		May 8, 2019
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Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		May 8, 2019
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		May 8, 2019
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		May 8, 2019
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		May 8, 2019
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		May 8, 2019
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		May 8, 2019
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		May 8, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 8, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Environmental Protection

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 2500	Related bill	Aug 11, 2020: Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 512.
116 HR 535	Related bill	Jan 13, 2020: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
116 S 1790	Related bill	Dec 20, 2019: Became Public Law No: 116-92.
116 HR 2626	Identical bill	Sep 26, 2019: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote .

Summary (as of May 8, 2019)

PFAS Accountability Act of 2019

This bill addresses the remediation of water or land that is contaminated from certain perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) originating from federal facilities or sites, including the Department of Defense's sites or facilities. PFAS are man-made and may have adverse human health effects. A variety of products contain PFAS, such as nonstick cookware or weatherproof clothing.

Upon state request, federal departments or agencies must expedite cooperative agreements with states to address the contamination—or suspected contamination—of drinking water, surface water, groundwater, land surface, or subsurface strata (e.g., rock or soil). The cooperative agreements must meet or exceed the most stringent of the standards enumerated in the bill.

If cooperative agreements are not finalized a year after requests are made by states, then the President must provide to Congress reports that include (1) explanations of why cooperative agreements have not been finalized or amended, and (2) projected timelines for finalizing the agreements.

Actions Timeline

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