

HR 2626

PFAS Accountability Act of 2019

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]

Party: Republican • **State:** MI • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-12]	D · MI		May 9, 2019
Rep. Kildee, Daniel T. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		May 9, 2019
Rep. Walberg, Tim [R-MI-7]	R · MI		May 9, 2019
Rep. Huizenga, Bill [R-MI-2]	R · MI		Jun 18, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Reported by	Sep 26, 2019
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	May 31, 2019
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	May 31, 2019
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	May 10, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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 S 1372	Identical bill	May 8, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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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

- **Sep 26, 2019:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 26, 2019:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote .
- **May 31, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.
- **May 31, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.
- **May 15, 2019:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **May 10, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change.
- **May 10, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **May 9, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **May 9, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Natural Resources, 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.