

HR 5539

Clean Water Standards for PFAS Act of 2020

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Environmental Protection

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment. (Jan 6, 2020)

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Sponsor

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Rep. Slotkin, Elissa [D-MI-8]	D · MI		Jan 3, 2020
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		May 8, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 6, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
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.

Summary (as of Jan 3, 2020)

Clean Water Standards for PFAS Act of 2020

This bill directs the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to review certain point sources that discharge perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances, commonly referred to as PFAS. Based on this review, the EPA must establish effluent limitations and pretreatment standards, as well as publish water quality criteria, for certain PFAS. PFAS are man-made and may have adverse human health effects. A variety of products contain the compounds, such as nonstick cookware or weatherproof clothing.

The bill also directs the EPA to award grants to owners and operators of publicly owned treatment works to implement PFAS pretreatment standards.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 6, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Jan 3, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 3, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.