

HR 7289

Federal PFAS Research Evaluation Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Environmental Protection

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Meijer, Peter [R-MI-3]	R · MI		Mar 30, 2022
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		May 17, 2022
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	R · FL		May 17, 2022
Rep. Stevens, Haley M. [D-MI-11]	D · MI		May 17, 2022
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Jul 7, 2022
Rep. Kildee, Daniel T. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		Jul 7, 2022
Rep. Gallagher, Mike [R-WI-8]	R · WI		Jul 11, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 27, 2022
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Reported By	Jul 13, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Environmental Protection

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 4492	Related bill	Jun 23, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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This bill requires the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to enter into an agreement with the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM) to complete various studies and reports related to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances, commonly referred to as 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.

Specifically, the bill requires the EPA to enter into an agreement with NASEM to (1) study and report on research and knowledge gaps identified by the Federal Government Human Health PFAS Research Workshop (October 26 and 27, 2020); and (2) identify research and development needed to identify, categorize, evaluate, and address individual or total PFAS. Additionally, the EPA and other relevant federal agencies must enter into an agreement with NASEM to submit a study and report to better understand the research and development needed to better understand the extent and implications of human and environmental contamination by PFAS and any management and treatment options.

After NASEM submits the required reports, the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy must submit an implementation plan to Congress for increased collaboration and coordination of federal PFAS research, development, and demonstration activities.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 27, 2022:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
- **Jul 26, 2022:** Mr. Beyer moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 26, 2022:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7092-7095)
- **Jul 26, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 7289.
- **Jul 26, 2022:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Jul 26, 2022:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7142-7143)
- **Jul 26, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 359 - 62 (Roll no. 389).(text: CR H7092-7093)
- **Jul 26, 2022:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 359 - 62 (Roll no. 389). (text: CR H7092-7093)
- **Jul 26, 2022:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 13, 2022:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H. Rept. 117-406.
- **Jul 13, 2022:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 313.
- **May 17, 2022:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 17, 2022:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 30, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 30, 2022:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.