

## HR 1705

A. Donald McEachin Environmental Justice For All Act

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

**Introduced:** Mar 22, 2023

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry. (Apr 25, 2023)

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Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		Jul 27, 2023
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Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Aug 1, 2023
Rep. Balint, Becca [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Aug 18, 2023
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Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Nov 7, 2023
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Rep. Casten, Sean [D-IL-6]	D · IL		Nov 29, 2023
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Nov 29, 2023
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-39]	D · CA		Nov 29, 2023
Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]	D · IL		Nov 29, 2023
Rep. Williams, Nikema [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Nov 29, 2023
Rep. Garcia, Robert [D-CA-42]	D · CA		Nov 30, 2023

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Rep. Ivey, Glenn [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Jan 3, 2024
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Jan 29, 2024
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Rep. Green, Al [D-TX-9]	D · TX		Oct 18, 2024

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 25, 2023
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 22, 2023
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 31, 2023
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 22, 2023
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 22, 2023
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 23, 2023
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### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 4592	Related bill	<b>Jul 20, 2023:</b> Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H3862)
118 HR 1065	Related bill	<b>Mar 22, 2023:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.
118 S 919	Related bill	<b>Mar 22, 2023:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

## **A. Donald McEachin Environmental Justice For All Act**

This bill establishes several environmental justice requirements, advisory bodies, and programs to address the disproportionate adverse human health or environmental effects of federal laws or programs on communities of color, low-income communities, or tribal and indigenous communities.

Specifically, the bill expands Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to prohibit federally funded programs, policies, practices, or activities from causing disparate impacts on the basis of race, color, or national origin. Aggrieved persons may seek legal remedy when faced with such discrimination.

In addition, the bill directs agencies to follow certain requirements concerning environmental justice, including new environmental review requirements under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

Further, it creates a variety of advisory bodies and positions, such as the White House Environmental Justice Interagency Council. Among other things, the council must issue an environmental justice strategy.

It also establishes requirements and programs concerning chemicals or toxic ingredients in certain products. For example, the bill (1) requires certain products (e.g., cosmetics) to include a list of ingredients or warnings; and (2) provides grants for research on designing safer alternatives to chemicals in certain consumer, cleaning, toy, or baby products that have an inherent toxicity or that are associated with chronic adverse health effects.

Finally, it creates a variety of funding programs, such as a grant program to enhance access to park and recreational opportunities in an urban areas.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 25, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.
- **Mar 31, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment, Manufacturing, and Critical Materials.
- **Mar 23, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- **Mar 23, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
- **Mar 23, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
- **Mar 22, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 22, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, the Judiciary, Transportation and Infrastructure, Agriculture, and Education and the Workforce, 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.