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H. R. 5540

To require, pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, disclosure of the introduction of perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances into treatment works, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 3, 2020

Mr. DELGADO (for himself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. ROUDA, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. MALINOWSKI, and Mr. KILDEE) introduced the following bill

JANUARY 7, 2020

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “PFAS Transparency
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DISCLOSURE OF INTRODUCTIONS OF PFAS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The introduction of any
3 perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substance by the owner
4 or operator of an industrial source shall be unlawful unless
5 such owner or operator first notifies the owner or operator
6 of the applicable treatment works of—

7 (1) the identity and quantity of such substance;

8 (2) whether such substance is susceptible to
9 treatment by such treatment works; and

10 (3) whether such substance would interfere with
11 the operation of the treatment works.

12 (b) VIOLATIONS.—A violation of this section shall be
13 treated in the same manner as a violation of a regulation
14 promulgated under subsection 307(b) of the Federal
15 Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1317(b)).

16 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

17 (1) INTRODUCTION.—The term “introduction”
18 means the introduction of pollutants into treatment
19 works, as described in section 307(b) of the Federal
20 Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1317).

21 (2) TREATMENT WORKS.—The term “treatment
22 works” has the meaning given that term in section
23 212 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33
24 U.S.C. 1292).

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