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H. R. 1125

To amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to require a preference for interim measures in carrying out response actions, consistent with protection of public health, welfare, and the environment.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 24, 1993

Mr. SANTORUM (for himself, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. DOOLITTLE, and Mr. ZIMMER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce and Public Works and Transportation

A BILL

To amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to require a preference for interim measures in carrying out response actions, consistent with protection of public health, welfare, and the environment.

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. PREFERENCE FOR INTERIM MEASURES IN**
4 **SUPERFUND RESPONSE ACTIONS.**

5 Section 121(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental
6 Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42

1 U.S.C. 9621(a)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
2 lowing: “Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act,
3 in selecting appropriate remedial actions, the President
4 shall give a preference to the use of institutional controls
5 (such as deed and access restrictions, monitoring, and pro-
6 vision of alternate water supplies), containment methods
7 (including caps, slurry walls, and surface water diversion),
8 and other interim measures, rather than permanent treat-
9 ment technologies, if such interim measures are sufficient
10 to protect the public health, welfare, and the environ-
11 ment.”.

12 **SEC. 2. REPORT.**

13 (a) REPORT REQUIREMENT.—The President shall
14 submit to Congress a report, during each of the 5 years
15 listed in subsection (b), on the use of interim measures
16 under section 121 of the Comprehensive Environmental
17 Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42
18 U.S.C. 9621), as required by the amendment made by sec-
19 tion 1. The report shall cover the preceding fiscal year
20 and shall include the estimated savings resulting from the
21 use of such interim measures in comparison to using per-
22 manent treatment technologies.

23 (b) DEADLINE.—The President shall submit the re-
24 port required by subsection (a) by October 1 of 1993,
25 1994, 1995, 1996, and 1997.

