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H. R. 4107

To direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to revise water quality criteria for ammonia, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 18, 1996

Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota introduced the following bill; which was 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. REVISION OF WATER QUALITY CRITERIA FOR**
4 **AMMONIA.**

5 (a) REVISION OF CRITERIA.—The Administrator of
6 the Environmental Protection Agency shall revise and
7 publish water quality criteria for ammonia under section
8 304(a)(1) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33
9 U.S.C. 1314(a)(1)) in order to ensure that such criteria
10 reflects the latest and best scientific knowledge.

1 (b) SUSPENSION OF ENFORCEMENT.—In the period
2 beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act and
3 ending on such date as the Administrator issues final cri-
4 teria under subsection (a), the Administrator—

5 (1) shall not use, or require a State to use,
6 water quality criteria for ammonia issued, before
7 such date of enactment, under section 304(a)(1) of
8 the Federal Water Pollution Control Act in estab-
9 lishing effluent limitations for ammonia; and

10 (2) shall not initiate or continue, or require a
11 State to initiate or continue, any enforcement action
12 against a person for a violation of a permit require-
13 ment that is based on water quality criteria de-
14 scribed in paragraph (1).

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