107TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 5554

To prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from issuing or renewing certain national pollutant discharge elimination system permits.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 3, 2002

Mr. Radanovich 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. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Potomac River Protec-
- 5 tion Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. NPDES PERMITS FOR DISCHARGES INTO POTOMAC
- 7 RIVER.
- 8 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Ad-
- 9 ministrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall

- 1 neither renew any permit of, nor issue any new permit
- 2 to, any Federal agency or entity for any discharge under
- 3 section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act
- 4 (33 U.S.C. 1342) into any portion of the Potomac River
- 5 that flows on or through land under the jurisdiction of
- 6 the National Park Service unless the new or renewed per-
- 7 mit limits the quantity of pollutants permitted to be dis-
- 8 charged to not more than 3 times the average quantity
- 9 of pollutants permitted to be discharged by other permits
- 10 issued under section 402 of that Act within Region III
- 11 of the Environmental Protection Agency, as determined
- 12 by the Administrator.

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