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H. R. 847

To amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to establish certain requirements regarding the approval of facilities for the disposal of polychlorinated biphenyls, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 1, 2001

Ms. RIVERS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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. APPROVAL OF PCB DISPOSAL FACILITIES.**

4 (a) STANDARD.—Section 6(e)(1) of the Toxic Sub-
5 stances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2605(e)(1)) is amended
6 by inserting the following before the last sentence: “The
7 Administrator shall not approve the construction of a fa-
8 cility for the disposal of polychlorinated biphenyls unless

1 the construction of such facility is in the public interest
2 and the design, location, and operation of such facility will
3 protect public health and the environment.”.

4 (b) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—Section 19(a)(1)(A) of the
5 Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2618(a)(1)(A))
6 is amended by inserting “or after the approval of a facility
7 under section 6(e)(1) for the disposal of polychlorinated
8 biphenyls” after “or IV” and by inserting “or approval”
9 after “for judicial review of such rule”.

10 (c) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.—Section 6(e) of the
11 Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2605(e)) is
12 amended by adding the following after paragraph (5):

13 “(6) The public participation requirements set forth
14 in section 7004(b)(2) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act
15 (and the regulations of the Administrator thereunder)
16 shall apply to the approval by the Administrator of a facil-
17 ity for the disposal of polychlorinated biphenyls in the
18 same manner as such requirements apply to the issuance
19 of a permit under section 3005 of the Solid Waste Dis-
20 posal Act for a facility for the treatment, storage or dis-
21 posal of hazardous waste.”.

22 (d) RECORD OF VIOLATIONS.—Section 6(e) of the
23 Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2605(e)) is
24 amended by adding the following after paragraph (6):

1 “(7) The Administrator shall not approve the con-
2 struction of any facility for the disposal of polychlorinated
3 biphenyls unless the owner or operator of the facility noti-
4 fies the Administrator, and the Administrator makes
5 available to the public, a record of all violations (prior to
6 the date of such approval) by such owner or operator of
7 laws and rules administered by the Administrator and all
8 orders issued by the Administrator and all programs ad-
9 ministered by a State that have been approved by the Ad-
10 ministrators pursuant to Federal law.”.

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