

108TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 502

To amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to designate perchlorate as a contaminant and to establish a maximum contaminant level for perchlorate.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 3, 2003

Mrs. BOXER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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. MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL FOR PER-**
4 **CHLORATE.**

5 Section 1412(b)(12) of the Safe Drinking Water Act
6 (42 U.S.C. 300g-1(b)(12)) is amended by adding at the
7 end the following:

8 “(C) PERCHLORATE.—

9 “(i) DECLARATION OF PERCHLORATE
10 AS CONTAMINANT.—Congress declares that

1 perchlorate is a contaminant subject to
2 regulation under this title.

3 “(ii) MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT
4 LEVEL.—Not later than July 1, 2004, the
5 Administrator shall establish a maximum
6 contaminant level for perchlorate that pro-
7 vides an adequate margin of safety for vul-
8 nerable populations (including children and
9 pregnant women).

10 “(iii) REGULATION.—On and after
11 the date of establishment of the maximum
12 contaminant level under clause (ii), the Ad-
13 ministrator shall regulate perchlorate as an
14 inorganic contaminant in accordance with
15 part 141 of title 40, Code of Federal Regu-
16 lations (or a successor regulation).”

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