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H. R. 3946

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to prohibit the sale of dishwashing detergent in the United States if the detergent contains a high level of phosphorus, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 27, 2009

Mr. STUPAK (for himself and Mrs. MILLER of Michigan) 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. PROHIBITION ON SALE OF CERTAIN DISH-**
4 **WASHING DETERGENT.**

5 Section 303 of the Federal Water Pollution Control
6 Act (33 U.S.C. 1313) is amended by adding at the end
7 the following:

1 “(j) PROHIBITION ON SALE OF CERTAIN DISH-
2 WASHING DETERGENT.—Effective beginning July 1,
3 2010, the Administrator shall prohibit the sale of residen-
4 tial dishwashing detergent in the United States if the de-
5 tergent contains phosphorus in any form in excess of 0.5
6 percent (by weight expressed as elemental phosphorus).”.

7 **SEC. 2. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NUTRIENT MANAGE-**
8 **MENT.**

9 As soon as practicable after the date of enactment
10 of this Act, the Administrator of the Environmental Pro-
11 tection Agency, in consultation with the heads of other ap-
12 propriate Federal agencies (including the National Oce-
13 anic and Atmospheric Administration), States, and local
14 government entities, shall—

15 (1) conduct a review of available scientific infor-
16 mation pertaining to nutrient excesses in the Great
17 Lakes; and

18 (2) submit to Congress a report that contains
19 recommendations for action to be taken by the Ad-
20 ministrator of the Environmental Protection Agency
21 to address nutrient excesses in the Great Lakes.

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