H. R. 1651

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 15, 2011

Mr. SARBANES 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 "Save the Chesapeake
- 5 Bay Homeowner Act of 2011".

1 SEC. 2. DESIGNATION.

2	Section 117(g) of the Federal Water Pollution Con-
3	trol Act (33 U.S.C. 1267(g)) is amended by adding at the
4	end the following:
5	"(3) Designation Program.—
6	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year
7	after the date of enactment of the Save the
8	Chesapeake Bay Homeowner Act of 2011, the
9	Administrator shall develop and implement the
10	'Save the Chesapeake Bay Home' designation
11	program.
12	"(B) Designation requirement.—The
13	program under subparagraph (A) shall des-
14	ignate a property owner in the Chesapeake Bay
15	watershed as a participant in such program if
16	the property owner performs a specified number
17	of items from a list of actions developed by the
18	Administrator to reduce nutrient and sediment
19	runoff into the Chesapeake Bay.
20	"(C) Total maximum daily load cred-
21	IT.—The Administrator shall determine an ap-
22	propriate amount of credit for compliance with
23	total maximum daily load requirements to
24	award to a State or their designee based on the
25	number of property owners in the jurisdiction

- 1 who have received a designation under the pro-
- gram.".

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