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H. R. 4492

To reauthorize and amend the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation
Act of 2014.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MAST (for himself, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. GIBBS, and Ms. BROWNLEY of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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and Innovation Act of 2014.

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 “Water Infrastructure
5 Finance and Innovation Reauthorization Act of 2017”.

1 **SEC. 2. INNOVATIVE FINANCING PILOT PROJECTS.**

2 (a) **AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE.**—Section
3 5023 of the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation
4 Act of 2014 (33 U.S.C. 3902) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “Secretary
6 and the”; and

7 (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-
8 lows:

9 “(b) **REQUIRED APPROVAL OF CERTAIN PROJECTS**
10 **BY SECRETARY.**—

11 “(1) **APPROVAL.**—The Secretary shall approve
12 projects under this subtitle that are eligible under
13 section 5026(1) or, as appropriate, section 5026(8).

14 “(2) **GUIDANCE.**—The Secretary shall issue
15 guidance on information required to be included in
16 applications for projects requiring approval from the
17 Secretary under this subsection.”.

18 (b) **APPLICATIONS.**—Section 5024 of the Water In-
19 frastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 (33
20 U.S.C. 3903) is amended—

21 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-
22 lows:

23 “(a) **IN GENERAL.**—To receive assistance under this
24 subtitle, an eligible entity shall submit to the Adminis-
25 trator, and the Secretary, if applicable, an application at
26 such time, in such manner, and containing such informa-

1 tion as the Administrator, and the Secretary, if applicable,
2 may require.”; and

3 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “Secretary or
4 the Administrator, as applicable,” and inserting
5 “Administrator, and the Secretary, if applicable,”.

6 (c) DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY AND PROJECT
7 SELECTION.—Section 5028 of the Water Infrastructure
8 Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 (33 U.S.C. 3907) is
9 amended—

10 (1) in subsection (a)—

11 (A) in paragraph (1)—

12 (i) by striking “Secretary or the Ad-
13 ministrator, as applicable.” and inserting
14 “Administrator.”; and

15 (ii) by striking “Secretary or the Ad-
16 ministrator, as applicable,” each place it
17 appears and inserting “Administrator”;

18 (B) in paragraph (5)(A), by striking “the
19 Administrator has authority under paragraph
20 (2) or (3) of section 5023(b) and for which”;
21 and

22 (C) by amending paragraph (6) to read as
23 follows:

24 “(6) OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN.—

25 The Administrator, and the Secretary, if applicable,

1 shall determine whether an applicant for assistance
2 under this subtitle has developed, and identified ade-
3 quate revenues to implement, a plan for operating,
4 maintaining, and repairing the project over the use-
5 ful life of the project.”; and

6 (2) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “Secretary
7 or the Administrator, as applicable,” and inserting
8 “Administrator and the Secretary”.

9 (d) SECURED LOANS.—Section 5029 of the Water
10 Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 (33
11 U.S.C. 3908) is amended—

12 (1) in subsection (a)(2), by striking “Secretary
13 or the Administrator, as applicable” and inserting
14 “Administrator”;

15 (2) in subsection (b)—

16 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Sec-
17 retary or the Administrator, as applicable,” and
18 inserting “Administrator”; and

19 (B) in paragraph (7), by striking “Sec-
20 retary or the Administrator, as applicable,”
21 each place it appears and inserting “Adminis-
22 trator”;

23 (3) in subsection (c)—

1 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Sec-
2 retary or the Administrator, as applicable,” and
3 inserting “Administrator”; and

4 (B) in paragraph (3)—

5 (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking
6 “Secretary or the Administrator, as appli-
7 cable” and inserting “Administrator”; and

8 (ii) in subparagraph (C), by striking
9 “Secretary or the Administrator, as appli-
10 cable,” and inserting “Administrator”;

11 (4) in subsection (d), by striking “Secretary or
12 the Administrator, as applicable,” each place it ap-
13 pears and inserting “Administrator”; and

14 (5) in subsection (e)—

15 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Sec-
16 retary or the Administrator, as applicable,”
17 each place it appears and inserting “Adminis-
18 trator”; and

19 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “Sec-
20 retary or the Administrator, as applicable.” and
21 inserting “Administrator.”.

22 (e) PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION.—Section 5030 of
23 the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of
24 2014 (33 U.S.C. 3909) is amended—

1 (1) by striking “Secretary or the Administrator,
2 as applicable,” each place it appears and inserting
3 “Administrator”;

4 (2) by striking “Secretary or the Administrator,
5 as applicable.” each place it appears and inserting
6 “Administrator.”; and

7 (3) in subsection (c)(1), by striking “to assist
8 the Secretary or” and inserting “to assist”.

9 (f) FUNDING.—Section 5033 of the Water Infra-
10 structure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 (33 U.S.C.
11 3912) is amended—

12 (1) in subsection (a)—

13 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
14 by striking “each of the Secretary and”;

15 (B) in paragraph (4) by striking “and” at
16 the end; and

17 (C) by striking paragraph (5) and insert-
18 ing the following:

19 “(5) \$90,000,000 for fiscal year 2019;

20 “(6) \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2020;

21 “(7) \$110,000,000 for fiscal year 2021;

22 “(8) \$120,000,000 for fiscal year 2022;

23 “(9) \$130,000,000 for fiscal year 2023; and

24 “(10) \$140,000,000 for fiscal year 2024.”;

1 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “\$2,200,000
2 for each of fiscal years 2015 through 2019” and in-
3 serting “\$3,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2015
4 through 2024”; and

5 (3) by striking “Secretary or the Administrator,
6 as applicable,” each place it appears and inserting
7 “Administrator”.

8 (g) REPORTS ON PILOT PROGRAM IMPLEMENTA-
9 TION.—Section 5034 of the Water Infrastructure Finance
10 and Innovation Act of 2014 (33 U.S.C. 3913) is amend-
11 ed—

12 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “the Secretary
13 and”; and

14 (2) in subsection (b)—

15 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “4 years
16 after the date of enactment of this Act” and in-
17 serting “2 years after the date of enactment of
18 the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innova-
19 tion Reauthorization Act of 2017”; and

20 (B) in paragraph (2)(B)(i), by striking
21 “Secretary or the Administrator, as applicable,”
22 and inserting “Administrator”.

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