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1ST SESSION

H. R. 3428

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and
Public Works

AN ACT

To require the Comptroller General of the United States
to conduct a review of the Mid-Atlantic River Basin
Commissions, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Mid-Atlantic River
3 Basin Commissions Review Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. MID-ATLANTIC RIVER BASIN COMMISSIONS.**

5 (a) GAO REPORT.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after
7 the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller
8 General of the United States shall initiate a review
9 of the Mid-Atlantic River Basin Commissions.

10 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—In conducting the review
11 under paragraph (1), the Comptroller General
12 shall—

13 (A) review the ethics policies and practices
14 of each Mid-Atlantic River Basin Commission;

15 (B) review the practices each Mid-Atlantic
16 River Basin Commission uses to communicate
17 with the general public;

18 (C) review current Federal responsibilities
19 at each Mid-Atlantic River Basin Commission,
20 including the types of actions taken by relevant
21 Federal agencies in carrying out such respon-
22 sibilities;

23 (D) describe the level and sources of Fed-
24 eral and State funding received by each Mid-At-
25 lantic River Basin Commission;

1 (E) identify duties and responsibilities of
2 each Mid-Atlantic River Basin Commission that
3 may be duplicative of, or overlap with, other
4 Federal authorities; and

5 (F) review policies and best practices of
6 each Mid-Atlantic River Basin Commission for
7 reporting activities of the Commission.

8 (3) REPORT.—Upon completion of the review
9 conducted under paragraph (1), the Comptroller
10 General shall submit to the Committee on Transpor-
11 tation and Infrastructure of the House of Represent-
12 atives and the Committee on Environment and Pub-
13 lic Works of the Senate a report containing—

14 (A) the findings of such review; and

15 (B) any recommendations, including any
16 recommendations for statutory or administra-
17 tive changes or changes to ethics policies and
18 practices, to increase the transparency or con-
19 gressional oversight of the Mid-Atlantic River
20 Basin Commissions.

21 (b) PLAN FOR COMPLIANCE.—Not later than 90 days
22 after the Comptroller General submits the report required
23 under subsection (a)(3), and annually thereafter for five
24 years, each Mid-Atlantic River Basin Commission shall
25 submit to the Committee on Transportation and Infra-

1 structure of the House of Representatives and the Com-
2 mittee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate
3 a plan detailing actions such Commission has taken to
4 comply with the recommendations contained in such re-
5 port.

6 (c) MID-ATLANTIC RIVER BASIN COMMISSION DE-
7 FINED.—In this section, the term “Mid-Atlantic River
8 Basin Commission” means—

9 (1) the Susquehanna River Basin Commission
10 created by the Susquehanna River Basin Compact to
11 which consent was given by Public Law 91–575 (84
12 Stat. 1509);

13 (2) the Delaware River Basin Commission cre-
14 ated by the Delaware River Basin Compact to which
15 consent was given by Public Law 87–328 (75 Stat.
16 688); and

17 (3) the Interstate Commission on the Potomac
18 River Basin created by the Potomac River Basin
19 Compact to which consent was given by Public Law
20 91–407 (84 Stat. 856).

Passed the House of Representatives September 8,
2025.

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Clerk.