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To assess and protect the quality of the Nation's lakes, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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

A BILL

To assess and protect the quality of the Nation's lakes, 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE AND TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Lakes Assessment and Protection Act of 1993”.

6 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—

- Sec. 1. Short title and table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Findings.
- Sec. 3. Lake water quality research.
- Sec. 4. Lake water quality standards.
- Sec. 5. Lake water quality program support.
- Sec. 6. State revolving loan fund eligibility.
- Sec. 7. Demonstration program.
- Sec. 8. Nutrient control initiative.
- Sec. 9. Agriculture program coordination.

Sec. 10. Clean lakes education.

Sec. 11. Nuisance aquatic vegetation control.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress finds that—

3 (1) freshwater lakes throughout the United
4 States are a natural resource of outstanding value
5 and importance, providing vital habitat for fish and
6 wildlife;

7 (2) lakes provide a significant percentage of the
8 drinking water supply of the United States, making
9 protection of lake water quality a prudent invest-
10 ment;

11 (3) lakes offer a wide range of recreational op-
12 portunities, including boating and fishing, and are
13 an especially significant resource for swimming and
14 related body contact recreation;

15 (4) lakes are especially vulnerable to water pol-
16 lution because they trap and store pollutants to a
17 greater degree than other waterbodies;

18 (5) the Environmental Protection Agency re-
19 ports that 25 percent of lakes are impaired by pollu-
20 tion and that an additional 20 percent are threat-
21 ened by pollution;

22 (6) many States report that water quality con-
23 ditions in lakes have deteriorated in recent years,

1 and studies by the Environmental Protection Agency
2 confirm this trend;

3 (7) the Environmental Protection Agency re-
4 ports that the most significant and widespread lake
5 water quality problem is excess nutrients, which pro-
6 mote algal blooms and increase aquatic vegetation;

7 (8) excessive nutrients can diminish the rec-
8 reational and economic values of lakes and lower dis-
9 solved oxygen that is needed to support fish and
10 other aquatic life;

11 (9) other water pollution problems in lakes in-
12 clude high turbidity and siltation, excessive acidity
13 associated with acid rain, pathogens in sewage dis-
14 charges, pesticides, organic chemicals, and metals;

15 (10) sources of lake water quality problems in-
16 clude discharges of sewage and industrial pollutants,
17 nonpoint sources of pollution associated with urban
18 development and agricultural activities, and natural
19 conditions such as mineral intrusion; and

20 (11) efforts in existence on the date of enact-
21 ment of this Act to protect the quality of lakes and
22 control sources of pollution in lakes are not ade-
23 quate, and these efforts need to be expanded and
24 strengthened.

1 **SEC. 3. LAKE WATER QUALITY RESEARCH.**

2 Subsection (h) of section 104 of the Federal Water
3 Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1254(h)) is amended to
4 read as follows:

5 “(h)(1) In carrying out subsection (a), the Adminis-
6 trator shall conduct a comprehensive research program
7 concerning the lakes of the United States.

8 “(2) The research program provided for in this sub-
9 section shall, at a minimum—

10 “(A) develop improved methods for the monitor-
11 ing and assessment of lake conditions and water
12 quality;

13 “(B) improve knowledge of lake processes, in-
14 cluding watershed assessments and the recycling of
15 pollutants from sediments to water;

16 “(C) investigate the nature and extent of vari-
17 ation in pollutant effects on lakes as opposed to
18 other aquatic systems, and characterize the degree
19 to which lakes may be especially vulnerable to pollu-
20 tion;

21 “(D) identify and assess methods and practices
22 to control sources of pollution to lakes, including wa-
23 tershed management techniques and practices; and

24 “(E) assess the threat to lake quality posed by
25 aquatic vegetation and develop and demonstrate
26 methods to control excessive vegetation in lakes and

1 prevent the distribution of nuisance aquatic vegeta-
2 tion throughout the United States.

3 “(3) In carrying out this subsection, the Adminis-
4 trator may enter into contracts with, or make grants to,
5 public or private agencies and organizations.

6 “(4)(A) The Administrator shall appoint an advisory
7 committee to be known as the ‘Lake Research Advisory
8 Committee’ (referred to in this paragraph as the ‘Commit-
9 tee’) to advise the Administrator on the design and imple-
10 mentation of the research program required by this sub-
11 section.

12 “(B) The Committee shall be composed of not more
13 than 12 members with substantial expertise and experi-
14 ence in lake research. Not more than 3 members of the
15 Committee shall be employees of the Federal Government.
16 Not fewer than 3 members shall be employees of State
17 environmental agencies.

18 “(C) Each Committee member shall serve for a term
19 of 3 years, except that the Administrator shall initially ap-
20 point 4 members to each serve for a term of 4 years and
21 4 members to each serve for a term of 5 years. Each mem-
22 ber may be reappointed to 1 additional term.”.

23 **SEC. 4. LAKE WATER QUALITY STANDARDS.**

24 (a) LAKE DESIGNATIONS.—Section 314 of the Fed-
25 eral Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1324) is

1 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
2 section:

3 “(e) LAKE USE DESIGNATIONS.—Not later than 2
4 years after the date of enactment of this subsection, each
5 State shall designate the use of each publicly owned lake
6 in the State in a manner consistent with the following
7 uses:

8 “(1) Public drinking water supply.

9 “(2) Swimming and related body contact recre-
10 ation.

11 “(3) Resource protection, to ensure the protec-
12 tion and propagation of a balanced, indigenous pop-
13 ulation of fish and wildlife.”.

14 (b) LAKE WATER QUALITY CRITERIA.—Section
15 304(a) of such Act (33 U.S.C. 1314(a)) is amended by
16 adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

17 “(9) WATER QUALITY CRITERIA FOR PARAM-
18 ETERS.—

19 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years
20 after the date of enactment of this paragraph
21 and periodically thereafter, the Administrator
22 shall publish pursuant to this subsection water
23 quality criteria for water quality parameters, in-
24 cluding, at a minimum—

25 “(i) dissolved oxygen;

1 “(ii) total phosphorus;

2 “(iii) nitrogen;

3 “(iv) chlorophyll a;

4 “(v) acidity; and

5 “(vi) transparency.

6 “(B) CONTENTS.—The criteria documents
7 published pursuant to this paragraph shall ad-
8 dress the factors identified in paragraph (1)
9 and shall identify numerical concentrations
10 that, in the judgment of the Administrator, are
11 appropriate to ensure the maintenance and at-
12 tainment of each use identified in section
13 314(e).

14 “(10) LAKE WATER QUALITY GUIDANCE FOR
15 CONTAMINANTS.—Not later than 2 years after the
16 date of enactment of this paragraph, the Adminis-
17 trator shall publish guidance to assist States in the
18 adoption of lake water quality standards for con-
19 taminants for which criteria documents have been
20 published pursuant to this subsection. The guidance
21 shall supplement criteria in existence on the date of
22 publication of the guidance to the extent necessary
23 to ensure that States have adequate information to
24 support the adoption of numerical lake water quality
25 standards for each pollutant that will ensure the at-

1 tainment and maintenance of designated uses identi-
2 fied pursuant to section 314(e).

3 “(11) NUMERICAL LAKE WATER QUALITY
4 STANDARDS.—Beginning on the date of enactment
5 of this paragraph, any criteria document published
6 pursuant to this subsection shall include such infor-
7 mation as the Administrator determines is appro-
8 priate to assist States in the adoption of numerical
9 lake water quality standards for each pollutant that
10 will ensure the attainment and maintenance of the
11 designated uses identified pursuant to section
12 314(e).”.

13 (c) LAKE WATER QUALITY STANDARDS.—Section
14 303 of such Act (33 U.S.C. 1313) is amended by adding
15 at the end the following new subsection:

16 “(i)(1)(A) Not later than 2 years after the date of
17 publication of lake water quality criteria pursuant to para-
18 graphs (9) and (11) of section 304(a) or publication of
19 lake water quality guidance pursuant to section
20 304(a)(10), each State shall establish for each publicly
21 owned lake in the State numerical standards for such
22 water quality parameters as will ensure the attainment
23 and maintenance of designated uses identified pursuant
24 to section 314(e).

1 “(B) With respect to a State, the Administrator may
2 waive the requirement to adopt a numerical standard for
3 a parameter listed pursuant to section 304(a)(9) based on
4 a demonstration by the State that there is no impairment
5 to lake water quality associated with the parameter in the
6 State.

7 “(2) If a State fails to adopt lake water quality stand-
8 ards pursuant to paragraph (1), the Administrator shall,
9 not later than the end of the 2-year period described in
10 such paragraph, establish standards for publicly owned
11 lakes in the State that will ensure the attainment and
12 maintenance of designated uses established by the State
13 or, if a State has not designated lake uses, the uses that
14 the Administrator, in consultation with the State, deter-
15 mines to be appropriate.”.

16 **SEC. 5. LAKE WATER QUALITY PROGRAM SUPPORT.**

17 (a) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 314(a) of
18 the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C.
19 1324(a)) is amended—

20 (1) in paragraph (1)—

21 (A) by striking subparagraphs (B) through
22 (D); and

23 (B) by redesignating subparagraphs (E)
24 and (F) as subparagraphs (B) and (C), respec-
25 tively; and

1 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking all after
2 “United States,” and inserting a period.

3 (b) CLEAN LAKES PROGRAM SUPPORT.—Subsection
4 (b) of section 314 of such Act (33 U.S.C. 1324(b)) is
5 amended to read as follows:

6 “(b) STATE CLEAN LAKES PROGRAM.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—A State may submit to the
8 Administrator an application for a grant, and the
9 Administrator may make a grant, to—

10 “(A) conduct a project to protect the qual-
11 ity of lakes throughout the State;

12 “(B) develop a plan for the control of pol-
13 lution to a specific lake or group of lakes in the
14 State; or

15 “(C) implement a plan developed pursuant
16 to subparagraph (B).

17 “(2) LAKE QUALITY PROTECTION PROJECTS.—
18 The Administrator may make a grant pursuant to
19 paragraph (1)(A) if the grant is for a statewide
20 project—

21 “(A) to improve public information and
22 education concerning lake protection;

23 “(B) to develop State or local requirements
24 concerning lake protection, including lake qual-
25 ity standards;

1 “(C) to develop lake assessment and mon-
2 itoring information; or

3 “(D) to carry out a combination of the ac-
4 tivities described in subparagraphs (A) through
5 (C).

6 “(3) POLLUTION CONTROL PLANS.—The Ad-
7 ministrators may make a grant pursuant to para-
8 graph (1)(B) if the grant is for—

9 “(A) the development of a lake protection
10 plan (including an assessment of lake condi-
11 tions);

12 “(B) the identification of pollution sources;

13 “(C) the development of a plan or program
14 for pollution control; or

15 “(D) carrying out a combination of the ac-
16 tivities described in subparagraphs (A) through
17 (C).

18 “(4) COST SHARE.—Each grant made pursuant
19 to subparagraph (A) or (B) of paragraph (1) shall
20 be made on the condition that 25 percent of the cost
21 of the project that is the subject of the grant is pro-
22 vided from non-Federal sources. Each grant made
23 pursuant to subparagraph (C) shall be made on the
24 condition that 50 percent of the cost of the project
25 that is the subject of the grant is provided from non-

1 Federal sources and that the non-Federal contribu-
2 tion may be assessed beginning on the date of sub-
3 mittal of the application to the Administrator.

4 “(5) PRIORITIZATION OF PROPOSALS.—

5 “(A) LAKE QUALITY PROTECTION
6 PROJECTS.—In awarding grants pursuant to
7 paragraph (1)(A), the Administrator shall give
8 priority to proposals with the greatest potential
9 to improve or protect lake water quality and to
10 proposals that will support the development of
11 long-term sustained lake protection programs in
12 a State.

13 “(B) POLLUTION CONTROL PLANS.—In
14 awarding grants pursuant to paragraph (1)(B),
15 the Administrator shall give priority to—

16 “(i) projects concerning lakes that are
17 listed pursuant to paragraph (a)(1)(B);

18 “(ii) projects concerning lakes that
19 are a source of public water supply; and

20 “(iii) projects that will develop an in-
21 novative pollution control method or prac-
22 tice with potential application to other
23 lakes.

24 “(C) PLAN IMPLEMENTATION.—Grants
25 made pursuant to paragraph (1)(C) shall be

1 limited to projects concerning lakes for which a
2 control program has been developed pursuant to
3 subparagraph (B).

4 “(6) ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT.—A State
5 that has not complied with the requirements of sub-
6 section (a) for the most recent report period or sec-
7 tion 303(i) shall not be eligible for grants made pur-
8 suant to this subsection.”.

9 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
10 314(c) of such Act (33 U.S.C. 1324(c)) is amended—

11 (1) by striking paragraph (1);

12 (2) by redesignating paragraph (2) as para-
13 graph (1);

14 (3) in paragraph (1) (as so redesignated)—

15 (A) in the first sentence—

16 (i) by striking “and” after “1985,”;

17 (ii) by inserting after “1990” the fol-
18 lowing: “, and \$50,000,000 for each of fis-
19 cal years 1991 through 2000,”; and

20 (iii) by striking “subsection (b) of”;

21 and

22 (B) by striking the last sentence; and

23 (4) by adding at the end the following new
24 paragraph:

1 “(2) For each of fiscal years 1991 through 2000, of
 2 the sums appropriated pursuant to this section, not more
 3 than 25 percent shall be reserved for grants made pursu-
 4 ant to subsection (b)(1) and demonstration projects con-
 5 ducted pursuant to subsection (d).”.

6 **SEC. 6. STATE REVOLVING LOAN FUND ELIGIBILITY.**

7 (a) ELIGIBILITY.—

8 (1) GENERAL AUTHORITY FOR GRANTS TO
 9 STATES.—Section 601(a) of the Federal Water Pol-
 10 lution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1381(a)) is amend-
 11 ed—

12 (A) by striking “and” after “section 319,”;

13 and

14 (B) by inserting before the period at the
 15 end the following: “, and (4) for the implemen-
 16 tation of lake protection programs and projects
 17 developed pursuant to section 314(b)”.

18 (2) WATER POLLUTION CONTROL REVOLVING
 19 LOAN FUNDS.—The first sentence of section 603(c)
 20 of such Act (33 U.S.C. 1383(c)) is amended—

21 (A) by striking “and” after “section 319 of
 22 this Act,”; and

23 (B) by inserting before the period at the
 24 end the following: “, and (4) for the implemen-

1 tation of lake protection programs and projects
2 developed pursuant to section 314(b)”.

3 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 606(c)(1)
4 of such Act (33 U.S.C. 1386(c)(1)) is amended by striking
5 “319” and inserting “314, 319,”.

6 **SEC. 7. DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.**

7 (a) PROGRAM REVISIONS.—Section 314(d)(1) of the
8 Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C.
9 1324(d)(1)) is amended—

10 (1) in subparagraph (C), by adding “and” at
11 the end;

12 (2) in subparagraph (D), by striking the semi-
13 colon at the end and inserting a period; and

14 (3) by striking subparagraphs (E) through (G).

15 (b) DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS.—Section 314(d)(2)
16 of such Act (33 U.S.C. 1324(d)(2)) is amended by insert-
17 ing after “Sauk Lake, Minnesota;” the following: “China
18 Lake, Maine; Sebago Lake, Maine;”.

19 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
20 314(d) of such Act (33 U.S.C. 1324(d)) is amended by
21 striking paragraph (4).

22 **SEC. 8. NUTRIENT CONTROL INITIATIVE.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title V of the Federal Water Pol-
24 lution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.) is amended—

1 (1) by redesignating section 519 as section 520;

2 and

3 (2) by adding after section 518 the following

4 new section:

5 **“SEC. 519. NUTRIENT CONTROL INITIATIVE.**

6 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the
7 date of enactment of this subsection, the Administrator
8 shall issue regulations prohibiting the distribution for sale
9 within the United States of household laundry detergents
10 that contain more than 0.5 percent phosphorus by weight
11 expressed as elemental phosphorus.

12 “(b) REQUIREMENTS.—The regulations issued pur-
13 suant to this section shall, at a minimum—

14 “(1) establish a schedule for the phase-out of
15 phosphorus from household laundry detergents that
16 is as expeditious as practicable, and that requires, at
17 a minimum, compliance with the prohibition speci-
18 fied in subsection (a) not later than 5 years after
19 the date of enactment of this subsection;

20 “(2) establish limits on the levels of chemical
21 constituents in household laundry detergents that
22 are adequate to ensure that the levels of any of the
23 constituents substituted for phosphorus are not ex-
24 pected to prevent the attainment or maintenance of
25 water quality standards;

1 “(3) allow for the sale and use of household
2 laundry detergent products manufactured prior to
3 the date of enactment of this subsection; and

4 “(4) define the term ‘household laundry deter-
5 gent’.

6 “(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 3 years
7 after the date of enactment of this subsection, the Admin-
8 istrator shall submit to Congress a report on the status
9 of the implementation of this section.”.

10 (b) CIVIL PENALTY.—Section 309(a)(3) of such Act
11 (33 U.S.C. 1319(a)(3)) is amended by striking “or 405”
12 and inserting “405, or 519”.

13 **SEC. 9. AGRICULTURE PROGRAM COORDINATION.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the Envi-
15 ronmental Protection Agency and the Secretary of Agri-
16 culture shall work cooperatively to ensure the coordination
17 of agriculture programs and lake protection programs.

18 (b) AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM.—

19 (1) PREVENTION OF SOIL EROSION.—The first
20 sentence of section 7(a) of the Soil Conservation and
21 Domestic Allotment Act (16 U.S.C. 590g(a)) is
22 amended by inserting before the period at the end
23 the following: “, giving priority consideration to wa-
24 tersheds of lakes identified as impaired pursuant to

1 section 314(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Water Pollution
2 Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1324(a)(1)(B))”.

3 (2) CONSIDERATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSIST-
4 ANCE.—The fourth undesignated paragraph of sec-
5 tion 8(b) of such Act (16 U.S.C. 590h(b)) is amend-
6 ed by inserting before the comma at the end of sub-
7 paragraph (D) the following: “, giving priority con-
8 sideration to watersheds of lakes identified as im-
9 paired pursuant to section 314(a)(1)(B) of the Fed-
10 eral Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C.
11 1324(a)(1)(B))”.

12 (c) AGRICULTURAL WATER QUALITY INCENTIVES
13 PROGRAM.—Section 1238C(a) of the Food Security Act
14 of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3838c(a)) is amended—

15 (1) in paragraph (7), by striking “or” at the
16 end;

17 (2) in paragraph (8), by striking the period at
18 the end and inserting “; or”; and

19 (3) by adding at the end the following new
20 paragraph:

21 “(9) areas of the watershed of a lake identified
22 as impaired pursuant to section 314(a)(1)(B) of the
23 Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C.
24 1324(a)(1)(B)).”.

1 (d) ENVIRONMENTAL EASEMENT PROGRAM.—Sec-
2 tion 1239(b)(1) of such Act (16 U.S.C. 3839(b)(1)) is
3 amended—

4 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “or” at
5 the end;

6 (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking the period
7 at the end and inserting “; or”; and

8 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
9 paragraph:

10 “(D) is located within the watershed of a
11 lake identified as impaired pursuant to section
12 314(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Water Pollution
13 Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1324(a)(1)(B)).”.

14 (e) CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM.—Section
15 1231(f)(1) of such Act (16 U.S.C. 3831(f)(1)) is amended
16 by adding at the end the following new sentence: “The
17 Secretary shall designate watershed areas of lakes identi-
18 fied as impaired pursuant to section 314(a)(1)(B) of the
19 Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C.
20 1324(a)(1)(B)) as conservation priority areas.”.

21 **SEC. 10. CLEAN LAKES EDUCATION.**

22 Section 314 of the Federal Water Pollution Control
23 Act (33 U.S.C. 1324) (as amended by section 4(a)) is fur-
24 ther amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
25 section:

1 “(f) CLEAN LAKES EDUCATION.—

2 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall
3 develop and implement a national program to edu-
4 cate the public concerning lake quality and lake pol-
5 lution problems and to foster public involvement in
6 lake assessment and protection programs.

7 “(2) LAKE WATCH PROGRAM.—

8 “(A) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 18
9 months after the date of enactment of this sub-
10 section, the Administrator shall, by regulation,
11 establish a program, to be known as the ‘Lake
12 Watch Program’ (referred to in this paragraph
13 as the ‘Program’), to encourage nonprofit citi-
14 zens groups to engage in lake assessment and
15 protection activities.

16 “(B) CONTENTS OF REGULATIONS.—The
17 regulations issued pursuant to subparagraph
18 (A) shall establish—

19 “(i) a process for identifying citizens
20 groups interested in participating in the
21 Program;

22 “(ii) a national registry of—

23 “(I) citizens groups participating
24 in the Program; and

1 “(II) lakes with respect to which
2 the groups engage in assessment and
3 protection activities; and

4 “(iii) minimum conditions to be met
5 by a citizens group that participates in the
6 Program, including—

7 “(I) minimum monitoring of lake
8 quality;

9 “(II) periodic reports of lake pro-
10 tection activities;

11 “(III) the identification of the
12 watershed area of each lake with re-
13 spect to which the group engages in
14 assessment and protection activities;
15 and

16 “(IV) periodic renewal of partici-
17 pation.

18 “(C) INFORMATIONAL PUBLICATION.—The
19 Administrator shall publish periodically an in-
20 formational publication on lake assessment and
21 protection for citizens groups participating in
22 the Program.

23 “(D) LAKE WATCH AWARD.—The Adminis-
24 trator shall provide an annual award, to be
25 known as the ‘Lake Watch Award’, to 1 citizens

1 group participating in the Program in each
2 State, that has demonstrated an outstanding
3 commitment to lake assessment and protection.

4 “(E) PROGRAM COORDINATION.—

5 “(i) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator
6 shall inform each citizens group participat-
7 ing in the Program of pollution control ac-
8 tivities within the watershed area of each
9 lake with respect to which the group en-
10 gages in assessment and protection activi-
11 ties, including—

12 “(I) the award of grant assist-
13 ance pursuant to this section;

14 “(II) the initiation of an enforce-
15 ment action pursuant to section 309;

16 “(III) the award of an incentive
17 or demonstration grant pursuant to
18 section 319;

19 “(IV) the issuance of a permit
20 pursuant to section 402; and

21 “(V) the award of a loan or other
22 assistance pursuant to title VI.

23 “(ii) DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.—

24 The Administrator may delegate the au-

1 thority to carry out this subparagraph to a
2 State.

3 “(3) LAKE PROTECTION HANDBOOK.—Not later
4 than 2 years after the date of enactment of this sub-
5 section, and periodically thereafter, the Adminis-
6 trator shall publish a lake assessment and protection
7 handbook that provides information on appropriate
8 methods for lake quality monitoring, biological as-
9 sessment of lake conditions, and related information
10 concerning lake management and protection.”.

11 **SEC. 11. NUISANCE AQUATIC VEGETATION CONTROL.**

12 (a) CONTROL PROGRAM.—Subtitle C of the
13 Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control
14 Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 4721 et seq.) is amended by add-
15 ing at the end the following new section:

16 **“SEC. 1210. EURASIAN MILFOIL CONTROL.**

17 “(a) IN GENERAL.—In coordination with regional,
18 State, and local entities, the Task Force shall undertake
19 a comprehensive, environmentally sound program to pre-
20 vent the dissemination of Eurasian Milfoil (*Myriophyllum*
21 *spicatum*), including—

22 “(1) research and development concerning the
23 species, including environmental tolerances and im-
24 pacts on water quality, fisheries, and other eco-
25 system components;

1 “(2) the identification and assessment of mech-
2 anisms and means of limiting the dissemination of
3 the species to areas not infested as of the date of
4 enactment of this section;

5 “(3) the development of plans and implementa-
6 tion of programs to prevent dissemination of the
7 species; and

8 “(4) the provision of technical assistance to re-
9 gional, State, and local entities to carry out this sec-
10 tion.

11 “(b) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date
12 of enactment of this section, the Task Force shall submit
13 to Congress a report that describes the implementation of
14 this section and makes recommendations regarding addi-
15 tional authorities or support necessary for the control of
16 the dissemination of Eurasian Milfoil.”.

17 (b) INJURIOUS SPECIES.—Section 42(a)(1) of title
18 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting “of the
19 Eurasian Milfoil of the species *Myriophyllum spicatum*;
20 before “of the zebra mussel”.

21 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
22 1301(b) of the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Preven-
23 tion and Control Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 4741(b)) is
24 amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (6), by striking “and” at the
2 end;

3 (2) in paragraph (7), by striking the period at
4 the end and inserting “; and”; and

5 (3) by adding at the end the following new
6 paragraph:

7 “(8) \$1,000,000 to carry out section 1210.”.

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