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for other purposes.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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

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## A BILL

To establish a National Environmental Technology  
Achievement Award, 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.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “National Environ-  
5 mental Technology Achievement Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. ACHIEVEMENT AWARD.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior  
8 (acting through the Administrator of the Environmental  
9 Protection Agency) and the Secretary of Commerce (re-  
10 ferred to in the Act as the “Secretaries”) shall present

1 an annual award, to be known as the “National Environ-  
2 mental Technology Achievement Award” (referred to in  
3 this Act as the “Award”).

4 (b) PURPOSE OF AWARD.—The Award shall recog-  
5 nize the premier National environmental technology ad-  
6 vancement for the year that advances the ability of the  
7 United States to prevent and clean up sources of pollution  
8 of the land, air, and water resources of the United States.

9 (c) CASH AWARD.—The Award shall include a cash  
10 award from amounts donated for the Award by nongovern-  
11 mental entities.

12 **SEC. 3. AWARD PANEL.**

13 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a panel  
14 to be known as the National Environmental Technology  
15 Achievement Award Panel (referred to in this Act as the  
16 ‘Award Panel’).

17 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—The Award Panel shall be com-  
18 posed of 14 members, of whom—

19 (1) 1 shall be the Administrator of the Environ-  
20 mental Protection Agency;

21 (2) 1 shall be the Secretary of Commerce;

22 (3) 1 shall be the National Science Adviser;

23 (4) 1 shall be the Director of the National  
24 Science Foundation;

25 (5) 1 shall be the Secretary of the Interior;

1           (6) 3 shall be members of the academic commu-  
2 nity, of whom—

3           (A) 1 shall be appointed by the President;

4           (B) 1 shall be appointed by the majority  
5 leader of the Senate; and

6           (C) 1 shall be appointed by the Speaker of  
7 the House of Representatives;

8           (7) 3 shall be representatives of United States  
9 industry, of whom—

10           (A) 1 shall be appointed by the President;

11           (B) 1 shall be appointed by the majority  
12 leader of the Senate; and

13           (C) 1 shall be appointed by the Speaker of  
14 the House of Representatives; and

15           (8) 3 shall be nongovernmental environmental  
16 organizations, of whom—

17           (A) 1 shall be appointed by the President;

18           (B) 1 shall be appointed by the majority  
19 leader of the Senate; and

20           (C) 1 shall be appointed by the Speaker of  
21 the House of Representatives.

22           (c) TERM.—A member appointed under paragraphs  
23 (6) through (8) of subsection (a) shall serve for 3 years.

1 (d) VACANCIES.—Any vacancy on the Award Panel  
2 shall be filled in the same manner as the original appoint-  
3 ment.

4 (e) MEETINGS.—

5 (1) INITIAL MEETING.—Not later than 180  
6 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the  
7 Award Panel shall hold its first meeting.

8 (2) SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS.—The Award  
9 Panel shall meet as necessary to carry out sub-  
10 section (f).

11 (f) DUTIES OF THE AWARD PANEL.—The Award  
12 Panel shall—

13 (1) establish the criteria for awarding the  
14 Award;

15 (2) design the Award;

16 (3) establish the amount of the cash award pro-  
17 vided under section 2(c);

18 (4) assist the Secretaries in raising funds for  
19 the cash award;

20 (5) establish the consideration and selection  
21 process for awarding the Award; and

22 (6) select the annual recipients of the Award.

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