

106TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4917

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act relating to marine sanitation devices.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 20, 2000

Mr. SAXTON 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 “Recreational Waters
5 Protection Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.**

7 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

8 (1) Performance standards for marine sanita-
9 tion devices were first authorized by the Federal
10 Water Pollution Control Act.

1 tection Agency shall complete a review of the capabilities
2 of existing marine sanitation technology and publish re-
3 vised standards for marine sanitation devices pursuant to
4 section 312(c)(1)(A) of the Federal Water Pollution Con-
5 trol Act (33 U.S.C. 1322(c)(1)(A)). The revised standards
6 shall require a baseline effluent water quality for fecal coli-
7 form of not more than 10 fecal coliform per 100 milliliters
8 and shall require a reduction in biological oxygen demand
9 of at least 35 percent.

10 **SEC. 4. STATE PROHIBITION.**

11 Section 312(f)(3) of the Federal Water Pollution
12 Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1322(f)(3)) is amended—

13 (1) by inserting “(A)” before “After”; and

14 (2) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(B) A prohibition under subparagraph (A) shall not
16 apply to a vessel that operates a type I or type II marine
17 sanitation device that meets the standards for marine
18 sanitation devices revised pursuant to section 2 of the Rec-
19 reational Waters Protection Act and published under sub-
20 section (c)(1)(A) after the date of enactment of this sub-
21 paragraph.”.

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