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# PFAS Accountability Act of 2021 (<u>H.R. 2751/S.1334</u>) Rep. Madeleine Dean D-PA/Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand D-NY

**Status:** 07/22/2021– Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

**Summary:** This bill establishes requirements and incentives to limit the use of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances, commonly referred to as PFAS, and remediate PFAS in the environment. The bill directs the EPA to designate the PFAS perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS) as a hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, thereby requiring remediation of releases of those PFAS into the environment.

#### Wildfire Response and Drought Resiliency Act (<u>H.R. 5118</u>) Rep. Joe Neguse D-CO Status: Passed house 7/29/2022.

**Summary:** A legislative package that includes over 40 bills that would authorize billions of dollars in federal funding for the Departments of Interior and Agriculture for implementation of forest management, water, and climate programs. It would also expand federal disaster relief assistance and research efforts on effects of wildfire on public health, and programs to improve water efficiency and conservation in tribal and low-income communities.

# Veterans Exposed to Toxic PFAS Act (<u>H.R. 7089/S.3851</u>) Rep. Dan Kildee D-MI/Sen. Debbie Stabenow D-MI

Status: Referred to the House Veterans Affairs Subcommittee on Health.

**Summary:** This bill provides eligibility for Department of Veterans Affairs hospital care and medical services to veterans and their family members (including those in utero) who have specified conditions and resided at a military installation where individuals were exposed to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances, commonly known as PFAS. PFAS are man-made and may have adverse human health effects.

# Support to Rehydrate the Environment, Agriculture, and Municipalities Act (STREAM) Act (S. 4231) Sen. Dianne Feinstein D-CA

**Status:** 5/25/2022 – Referred to the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water and Power.

**Summary:** This bill would expedite non-federal storage projects with less than \$250 million in federal funding, water recycling, and desalination projects by allowing the Department of the Interior to approve the projects. This provision is needed following the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act's expiration in December 2021. Absent this provision, Congress must individually authorize all water recycling, desalination and storage projects, with the exception of projects that receive construction funding under the bipartisan infrastructure legislation.

# Controlling America's Perilous Spending (CAPS) Act (<u>H.R. 9032</u>) Rep. Jodey Arrington R-TX Status: 09/29/2022 – Referred to the Budget and Rules Committees.

**Summary:** This bill would amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to extend the discretionary spending limits through fiscal year 2032.