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119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act with respect to water quality criteria development and transparency, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. OWENS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

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 “Water Quality Criteria
5 Development and Transparency Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. WATER QUALITY CRITERIA DEVELOPMENT AND**
2 **TRANSPARENCY.**

3 (a) INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES.—Section
4 304(a) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33
5 U.S.C. 1314(a)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
6 lowing:

7 “(10) ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE.—After
8 the date of enactment of this paragraph, the Admin-
9 istrator shall issue any new or revised water quality
10 criteria under paragraph (1) or (9) by rule.”.

11 (b) ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE AND JUDICIAL
12 REVIEW.—Section 509(b)(1) of the Federal Water Pollu-
13 tion Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1369(b)(1)) is amended—

14 (1) by striking “section 402, and” and inserting
15 “section 402,”; and

16 (2) by inserting “and (H) in issuing any cri-
17 teria for water quality pursuant to section
18 304(a)(10),” after “strategy under section 304(l),”.