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# H. R. 4692

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 26, 2021

Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## 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 “PFAS Testing Act of  
5       2021”.

6       **SEC. 2. TESTING OF PERFLUOROALKYL AND**  
7       **POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES.**

8       (a) TESTING REQUIREMENTS.—Section 4(a) of the  
9       Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2603(a)) is  
10      amended by adding at the end the following:

1           “(5)                                  PERFLUOROALKYL                                  AND  
2           POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES ORDER.—Notwith-  
3           standing paragraphs (1) through (4), not later than  
4           60 days after the date of enactment of this para-  
5           graph, the Administrator shall, by order, require  
6           that comprehensive toxicity testing be conducted on  
7           all chemical substances that are perfluoroalkyl and  
8           polyfluoroalkyl substances.”.

9           (b) PERSONS SUBJECT TO ORDER.—Section 4(b)(3)  
10      of the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C.  
11      2603(b)(3)) is amended—

12                 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “subpara-  
13                 graph (B) or (C)” and inserting “subparagraph (B),  
14                 (C), or (D)”; and

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

16                 “(D) An order under subsection (a)(5) shall require  
17      the development of information by any person who manu-  
18      factures or processes, or intends to manufacture or proc-  
19      ess, a chemical substance that is a perfluoroalkyl or  
20      polyfluoroalkyl substance.”.

21                 (c) PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUB-  
22      STANCES.—Section 4 of the Toxic Substances Control Act  
23      (15 U.S.C. 2603) is amended by adding at the end the  
24      following:

1       “(i) PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL  
2 SUBSTANCES.—

3           “(1) TESTING REQUIREMENT ORDER.—

4              “(A) PROTOCOLS AND METHODOLOGIES.—

5              In determining the protocols and methodologies  
6              to be included pursuant to subsection (b)(1) in  
7              an order under subsection (a)(5), the Adminis-  
8              trator shall allow for protocols and methodolo-  
9              gies that test chemical substances that are  
10             perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances as  
11             a class.

12             “(B) PERIOD.—In determining the period  
13              to be included pursuant to subsection (b)(1) in  
14              an order under subsection (a)(5), the Adminis-  
15              trator shall ensure that the period is as short  
16              as possible while allowing for completion of the  
17              required testing.

18             “(2) EXEMPTIONS.—Notwithstanding sub-  
19              section (e)(2)(A), the Administrator may only make  
20              a determination under subsection (c)(2)(B) that sub-  
21              mission of information on a chemical substance that  
22              is a perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substance re-  
23              quired by an order under subsection (a)(5) would be  
24              duplicative of information that has been submitted  
25              to the Administrator in accordance with such order,

1 or which is being developed pursuant to such order,  
2 if the information concerns the chemical substance  
3 with the same specific chemical identity as the chem-  
4 ical substance for which the application for an ex-  
5 emption is submitted.”.

6 **SEC. 3. REPORTING AND RETENTION OF INFORMATION.**

7 Section 8(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (15  
8 U.S.C. 2607(a)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
9 lowing:

10           “(7)                           PERFLUOROALKYL                   AND  
11   POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES.—

12           “(A) SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION.—Not-  
13           withstanding any other requirement of law, not  
14           later than 60 days after the date of enactment  
15           of this paragraph, each person who manufac-  
16           tures or processes a chemical substance that is  
17           a perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substance  
18           shall submit to the Administrator—

19               “(i) all records of significant adverse  
20           reactions to health or the environment al-  
21           leged to have been caused by such chemical  
22           substances; and

23               “(ii) all health and safety studies re-  
24           lated to such chemical substances of which  
25           the person is aware.

1                 “(B) AVAILABILITY.—Not later than 4  
2                 months after the date of enactment of this  
3                 paragraph, the Administrator shall make stud-  
4                 ies submitted under subparagraph (A)(ii) avail-  
5                 able to the public.”.

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