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H. R. 7612

To advance desalination research and technological innovation, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 28, 2022

Mr. LEVIN of California (for himself and Ms. MACE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Desalination Research
5 Advancement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DESALINATION RESEARCH AUTHORIZATION.**

2 (a) Section 8 of the Water Desalination Act of 1996
3 (42 U.S.C. 10301 note; Public Law 104–298) is amended
4 in subsection (a)—

5 (1) by striking “\$5,000,000 per year for fiscal
6 years 1997 through 2021” and inserting
7 “\$20,000,000 per year for fiscal years 2022 through
8 2026”; and

9 (2) by striking “\$1,000,000” and inserting
10 “\$15,000,000”.

11 (b) Section 3(e) of the Water Desalination Act of
12 1996 is amended—

13 (1) in paragraph (5), by striking “and”;

14 (2) in paragraph (6), by striking the period at
15 the end and inserting “; and”; and

16 (3) by adding at the end the following new
17 paragraph:

18 “(7) to minimize the impacts of seawater desali-
19 nation on aquatic life and coastal ecosystems, includ-
20 ing technologies to monitor and reduce those im-
21 pacts.”.

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