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H. R. 1444

To amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to provide for the consideration of climate change, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 8, 2023

Mr. CLEAVER (for himself, Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE, Ms. BROWN, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Ms. SEWELL, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. LEE of California, and Ms. TOKUDA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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 “Preparing Superfund
5 for Climate Change Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION.**

2 Section 121 of the Comprehensive Environmental Re-
3 sponse, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42
4 U.S.C. 9621) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (b)(1), in the fifth sentence—

6 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
7 (A), by striking “account:” and inserting “ac-
8 count—”;

9 (B) in subparagraph (F), by striking
10 “and” at the end;

11 (C) in subparagraph (G), by striking the
12 period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

13 (D) by inserting after subparagraph (G)
14 the following:

15 “(H) the potential threat to human health
16 and the environment associated with local nat-
17 ural disasters and extreme weather hazards, in-
18 cluding any projected exacerbation or change in
19 those disasters and hazards due to climate
20 change.”; and

21 (2) in subsection (c), by inserting after the first
22 sentence the following: “The President shall include
23 in the review an assessment of whether the selected
24 remedial action remains protective after taking into
25 account local natural disasters and extreme weather
26 hazards, including any projected exacerbation or

- 1 change in those disasters and hazards due to climate
- 2 change.”.

