

118TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 5770

AN ACT

To reauthorize certain United States Geological Survey water data enhancement programs.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Water Monitoring and
3 Tracking Essential Resources (WATER) Data Improve-
4 ment Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. WATER DATA ENHANCEMENT BY UNITED STATES**
6 **GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.**

7 Section 9507 of the Omnibus Public Land Manage-
8 ment Act of 2009 (42 U.S.C. 10367) is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a)—

10 (A) by striking the heading and inserting
11 “FEDERAL PRIORITY STREAMGAGE PROGRAM”;

12 (B) in paragraph (1), by striking “national
13 streamflow information program, as reviewed by
14 the National Research Council in 2004” and in-
15 serting “Federal priority streamgage program”;

16 (C) in paragraph (2), by striking “national
17 streamflow information program” each place it
18 appears and inserting “Federal priority
19 streamgage program”;

20 (D) in paragraph (4)—

21 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

22 (I) by striking “2009” and in-
23 serting “2023”; and

24 (II) in clause (ii), by inserting
25 “precipitation” before “water-quality
26 sensors”; and

1 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
2 “National Streamflow Information Pro-
3 gram as reviewed by the National Research
4 Council.” and inserting “Federal needs es-
5 tablished through regular solicitation of
6 feedback, such as that documented in the
7 report titled ‘Re-prioritization of the U.S.
8 Geological Survey Federal Priority
9 streamgauge program, 2022’ (Open-file Re-
10 port 2023-1032).”;

11 (E) in paragraph (5), by striking “national
12 streamgaging network” each place it appears
13 and inserting “Federal priority streamgauge net-
14 work”; and

15 (F) in paragraph (6)—

16 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

17 (I) by striking “national
18 streamflow information program” and
19 inserting “Federal priority
20 streamgauge program”; and

21 (II) by striking “2023” and in-
22 serting “2028”; and

23 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
24 “2019” and inserting “2028”;

25 (2) in subsection (b)—

- 1 (A) in paragraph (2)—
- 2 (i) in subparagraph (B), by inserting
- 3 “and Tribes” after “agencies” and
- 4 (ii) in subparagraph (C)—
- 5 (I) by inserting “or Tribal lands”
- 6 after “within a State”; and
- 7 (II) by inserting “or Tribe” after
- 8 “water resource agency”;
- 9 (B) in paragraph (6), by inserting “, a
- 10 Tribe” after “a State”; and
- 11 (C) in paragraph (7)—
- 12 (i) by striking “such sums as are nec-
- 13 essary” and inserting “\$4,000,000 per fis-
- 14 cal year”; and
- 15 (ii) by striking “2009 through 2023”
- 16 and inserting “2023 through 2028”;
- 17 (3) by striking subsection (c);
- 18 (4) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-
- 19 section (c); and

1 (5) in subsection (c)(4) (as so redesignated by
2 this subsection), by striking “2019” and inserting
3 “2028”.

Passed the House of Representatives July 8, 2024.

Attest:

Clerk.

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