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[Report No. 115-]

To establish centers of excellence for innovative stormwater control infrastructure, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 2, 2017

Mr. HECK (for himself, Mr. KATKO, Mr. KILMER, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. DELANEY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. MOORE, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. CLEAVER, and Mr. MCGOVERN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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

JULY --, 2018

Reported from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with amendments

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on October 2, 2017]

A BILL

To establish centers of excellence for innovative stormwater control infrastructure, and for other purposes.

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 “Innovative Stormwater*
5 *Infrastructure Act of 2018”.*

6 **SEC. 2. STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING TASK**
7 **FORCE.**

8 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the*
9 *date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the En-*
10 *vironmental Protection Agency shall establish a stormwater*
11 *infrastructure funding task force composed of representa-*
12 *tives of Federal, State, and local governments and private*
13 *(including nonprofit) entities to conduct a study on, and*
14 *develop recommendations to improve, the availability of*
15 *public and private sources of funding for the construction,*
16 *rehabilitation, and operation and maintenance of*
17 *stormwater infrastructure to meet the requirements of the*
18 *Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et*
19 *seq.).*

20 *(b) CONSIDERATIONS.—In carrying out subsection (a),*
21 *the task force shall—*

22 *(1) identify existing Federal, State, and local*
23 *public sources and private sources of funding for*
24 *stormwater infrastructure; and*

25 *(2) consider—*

1 (A) *how funding for stormwater infrastruc-*
2 *ture from such sources has been made available,*
3 *and utilized, in each State to address stormwater*
4 *infrastructure needs identified pursuant to sec-*
5 *tion 516(b)(1) of the Federal Water Pollution*
6 *Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1375(b)(1));*

7 (B) *how the source of funding affects the af-*
8 *fordability of the infrastructure (as determined*
9 *based on the considerations used to assess the fi-*
10 *ancial capability of municipalities under the*
11 *integrated planning guidelines described in the*
12 *Integrated Municipal Stormwater and Waste-*
13 *water Planning Approach Framework, issued by*
14 *the Environmental Protection Agency on June 5,*
15 *2012, and dated May, 2012), including consider-*
16 *ation of the costs associated with financing the*
17 *infrastructure; and*

18 (C) *whether such sources of funding are suf-*
19 *ficient to support capital expenditures and long-*
20 *term operation and maintenance costs necessary*
21 *to meet the stormwater infrastructure needs of*
22 *municipalities.*

23 (c) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 18 months after the date*
24 *of enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall submit*
25 *to Congress a report that describes the results of the study*

1 *conducted, and the recommendations developed, under sub-*
2 *section (a).*

3 *(d) STATE DEFINED.—In this section, the term*
4 *“State” has the meaning given that term in section 502*
5 *of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C.*
6 *1362).*

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a stormwater infrastructure funding task force, and for other purposes.”