

The Safe Drinking Water Improvement Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. A comprehensive program for residents to test the safety of their drinking water
3 shall be established. This program will test residential water for PFAS, metals, and biological
4 contaminants. Any individual with quantities of contaminants above the Environmental
5 Protection Agency's permissible levels will receive a grant.

6 SECTION 2. For this Act, the following terms shall be defined as follows:

7 "Drinking water" refers to water intended for human and animal consumption or use in food
8 preparation, excluding water used for industrial or non-potable purposes.

9 "Water infrastructure" encompasses the physical structures and facilities involved in the
10 collection, treatment, storage, and distribution of drinking water.

11 SECTION 3. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) shall be responsible for overseeing
12 the implementation and enforcement of this Act. The EPA is authorized to collaborate with
13 relevant state and local agencies to ensure effective enforcement.

14 The EPA will develop and execute a nationwide public awareness and education program on the
15 importance of testing drinking water for quality.

16 Citizens wishing to test their drinking water will be allowed to do so through mail-in kits to the
17 EPA, which can be requested at no cost to the individual.

18 Those with contaminants above permissible levels will receive funding equivalent to 80% of the
19 total cost of repair or replacement. In the case that the water contamination is occurring at a
20 municipal level, the EPA shall cover 80% of the cost to bring the water quality back to the
21 accepted range

22 SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect three months from passage. All laws in conflict
23 with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Marshall Islands Nuclear Dome Remediation Act

1 SECTION 1. The United States shall remove the current Runit Dome housing nuclear
2 waste from the Marshall Islands, and transport the contained nuclear waste to a location within
3 the continental U.S. to be housed in perpetuity.

4 SECTION 2. The Runit Dome currently holds about 3.1 million cubic feet of U.S.-
5 produced radioactive soil and debris; this facility is at risk of erosion and rupture due to rising
6 sea levels.

7 SECTION 3. The U.S. Department of Defense will work in conjunction with the
8 Environmental Protection Agency to fulfill this legislation.
9 Prior to the execution of this legislation, an expected budget will be created by the
10 Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Defense in tandem. The Marshall
11 Islands shall be expected to cover 25% of total costs, the remaining funding shall be allocated
12 by the U.S. Treasury in the coming fiscal year.

13 The Environmental Protection Agency will be in charge of identifying the location in the
14 Continental U.S. to house the transported waste, as well as building and maintaining the
15 facility.

16 SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect 18 months from passage. All laws in
17 conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Tax Any Non-Recyclable or Biodegradable Packaging Materials

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. Companies will have six months to make at least 80% of their packaging
3 materials recyclable, biodegradable, or compostable. After this period, a tax of 2.5% will go
4 on the net profit of any company not adhering.

5 All taxes collected will go to the Environmental Protection Agency to further recycling
6 initiatives domestically, especially those focusing on the recycling and reusing of electronic
7 components.

8 SECTION 2. Recyclable materials are any materials that can be recycled in most homes
9 in the US such as cardboard or paper. Biodegradable materials are any materials that can be
10 broken down naturally within one year. Compostable materials are any materials that can be
11 broken down naturally within one year, but add nutrients to the area they have been left to
12 degrade in.

13 SECTION 3. The Internal Revenue Service will work with the Environmental
14 Protection Agency (EPA) to monitor commercial packaging and levy appropriate taxes.

15 SECTION 4. This legislation will go into effect six months from passage. All laws in
16 conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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