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## S. 1152

To establish a National Environmental Technology Achievement Award, and for other purposes.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. McCain introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

## A BILL

To establish a National Environmental Technology Achievement Award, 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 "National Environ-
- 5 mental Technology Achievement Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. ACHIEVEMENT AWARD.
- 7 (a) In General.—The Secretary of the Interior
- 8 (acting through the Administrator of the Environmental
- 9 Protection Agency) and the Secretary of Commerce (re-
- 10 ferred to in the Act as the "Secretaries") shall present

- 1 an annual award, to be known as the "National Environ-
- 2 mental Technology Achievement Award" (referred to in
- 3 this Act as the "Award").
- 4 (b) Purpose of Award.—The Award shall recog-
- 5 nize the premier National environmental technology ad-
- 6 vancement for the year that advances the ability of the
- 7 United States to prevent and clean up sources of pollution
- 8 of the land, air, and water resources of the United States.
- 9 (c) Cash Award.—The Award shall include a cash
- 10 award from amounts donated for the Award by nongovern-
- 11 mental entities.
- 12 SEC. 3. AWARD PANEL.
- 13 (a) Establishment.—There is established a panel
- 14 to be known as the National Environmental Technology
- 15 Achievement Award Panel (referred to in this Act as the
- 16 'Award Panel').
- (b) Membership.—The Award Panel shall be com-
- 18 posed of 14 members, of whom—
- 19 (1) 1 shall be the Administrator of the Environ-
- 20 mental Protection Agency;
- 21 (2) 1 shall be the Secretary of Commerce;
- 22 (3) 1 shall be the National Science Adviser;
- 23 (4) 1 shall be the Director of the National
- 24 Science Foundation;
- 25 (5) 1 shall be the Secretary of the Interior;

| 1  | (6) 3 shall be members of the academic commu-             |
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| 2  | nity, of whom—  |
| 3  | (A) 1 shall be appointed by the President;                |
| 4  | (B) 1 shall be appointed by the majority                  |
| 5  | leader of the Senate; and                                 |
| 6  | (C) 1 shall be appointed by the Speaker of                |
| 7  | the House of Representatives;                             |
| 8  | (7) 3 shall be representatives of United States           |
| 9  | industry, of whom—  |
| 10 | (A) 1 shall be appointed by the President;                |
| 11 | (B) 1 shall be appointed by the majority                  |
| 12 | leader of the Senate; and                                 |
| 13 | (C) 1 shall be appointed by the Speaker of                |
| 14 | the House of Representatives; and                         |
| 15 | (8) 3 shall be nongovernmental environmental              |
| 16 | organizations, of whom—                                   |
| 17 | (A) 1 shall be appointed by the President;                |
| 18 | (B) 1 shall be appointed by the majority                  |
| 19 | leader of the Senate; and                                 |
| 20 | (C) 1 shall be appointed by the Speaker of                |
| 21 | the House of Representatives.                             |
| 22 | (c) Term.—A member appointed under paragraphs             |
| 23 | (6) through (8) of subsection (a) shall serve for 3 years |

| 1  | (d) Vacancies.—Any vacancy on the Award Panel               |
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| 2  | shall be filled in the same manner as the original appoint- |
| 3  | ment.   |
| 4  | (e) Meetings.—  |
| 5  | (1) Initial meeting.—Not later than 180                     |
| 6  | days after the date of enactment of this Act, the           |
| 7  | Award Panel shall hold its first meeting.                   |
| 8  | (2) Subsequent meetings.—The Award                          |
| 9  | Panel shall meet as necessary to carry out sub-             |
| 10 | section (f).  |
| 11 | (f) Duties of the Award Panel.—The Award                    |
| 12 | Panel shall—  |
| 13 | (1) establish the criteria for awarding the                 |
| 14 | Award;  |
| 15 | (2) design the Award;                                       |
| 16 | (3) establish the amount of the cash award pro-             |
| 17 | vided under section $2(c)$ ;                                |
| 18 | (4) assist the Secretaries in raising funds for             |
| 19 | the cash award;   |
| 20 | (5) establish the consideration and selection               |
| 21 | process for awarding the Award; and                         |
| 22 | (6) select the annual recipients of the Award.              |