

107TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 4572

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to increase certain criminal penalties, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 24, 2002

Mr. DINGELL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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

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## 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 “Polluter Accountability  
5       Act”.

**6 SEC. 2. FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT.**

7       (a) CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR NEGLIGENT VIOLA-  
8       TIONS.—Section 309(c)(1) of the Federal Water Pollution  
9       Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1319(c)(1)) is amended—

7 (b) CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR KNOWING VIOLA-  
8 TIONS.—Section 309(c)(2) of the Federal Water Pollution  
9 Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1319(c)(2)) is amended—

## 16 SEC. 3. REFUSE ACT OF 1899.

17       Section 16 of the Act of March 3, 1899 (chapter 425;  
18 33 U.S.C. 411), relating to penalties for violations of the  
19 provision of law popularly known as the Refuse Act of  
20 1899, is amended by striking “\$25,000” and inserting  
21 “\$75,000”.

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