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# H. R. 1718

To amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to require public availability of an accounting of all funds used, or required to be used, for response to a release of a hazardous substance or pollutant or contaminant.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 20, 2005

Mr. ANDREWS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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 “Pollution Account-  
5 ability Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENT.**

2 Section 117 of the Comprehensive Environmental Re-  
3 sponse, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42  
4 U.S.C. 9617) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
5 lowing new subsection:

6 “(f) ACCOUNTING.—Any person who undertakes, or  
7 who is required to undertake, a response to a release of  
8 a hazardous substance or pollutant or contaminant shall  
9 make available to any person, on request, an accounting  
10 of any funds used, or required by any court or administra-  
11 tive action to be used, for such response.”.

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