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2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 4447

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 18, 1994

Mr. MANTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries

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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. CLARIFICATION OF DEFINITION OF ALTER-**  
4 **NATIVE SYSTEM.**

5 (a) DEFINITION OF ALTERNATIVE SYSTEM.—Section  
6 104B(k)(1) of the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanc-

1 tuaries Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. 1414B(k)(1)) is amended  
2 to read as follows:

3 “(1) the term ‘alternative system’—

4 “(A) means any method for the manage-  
5 ment of sewage sludge or industrial waste  
6 which does not require a permit under this Act;  
7 and

8 “(B) includes any method described in  
9 subparagraph (A) to be implemented under a  
10 contract that shall not be required to be effec-  
11 tive for more than 5 years.”.

12 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 104B of  
13 the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act of  
14 1972 (33 U.S.C. 1414b) is amended—

15 (1) in subsection (c)(3)(A) by striking “de-  
16 signed, construction, and”; and

17 (2) in subsection (c)(4) in the matter preceding  
18 subparagraph (A) by inserting “, as applicable”  
19 after “shall establish deadlines for”.

20 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
21 subsections (a) and (b) shall be effective on and after Au-  
22 gust 1, 1994.

23 (d) EXISTING ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENTS.—

24 (1) INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS NOT EFFEC-  
25 TIVE.—Any provision in an enforcement agreement

1 in effect under section 104B(c) of the Marine Pro-  
2 tection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (33  
3 U.S.C. 1414b(c)) that is inconsistent with the  
4 amendments made by subsections (a) and (b) of this  
5 section shall not be effective after the date specified  
6 in subsection (c) of this section.

7 (2) AMENDMENT OF AGREEMENTS.—The Ad-  
8 ministrator of the Environmental Protection Agency  
9 shall seek to amend enforcement agreements in ef-  
10 fect under section 104B(c) of the Marine Protection,  
11 Research, and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C.  
12 1414b(c)) to reflect the amendments made by sub-  
13 sections (a) and (b) of this section, by not later than  
14 the date specified in subsection (c) of this section.

15 (e) DEFINITIONS.—For the purposes of this Act, “en-  
16 forcement agreement” has the same meaning as in section  
17 104B(c)(3) of the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanc-  
18 tuaries Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. 1414b(c)(3)).

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