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To authorize the Secretary of the Army to carry out a 5-year demonstration program to determine the effectiveness of technology to remedy contaminated sediments in river beds, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 9, 1995

Mr. TRAFICANT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 ‘‘Mahoning River Clean-
5 up Act’’.

1 **SEC. 2. STUDY OF MAHONING RIVER.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army is au-
3 thorized to undertake a study to assess the environmental
4 condition of the Mahoning River in northeast Ohio and
5 western Pennsylvania to determine the extent of environ-
6 mental degradation caused by industrial pollution.

7 (b) SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS.—The study under
8 this section shall include an analysis of water and sedi-
9 ment quality and an analysis of the natural resources in
10 the area. The study shall identify the pollutants that ex-
11 ceed water or sediment quality standards and shall iden-
12 tify the point and nonpoint sources of the pollutants.

13 (c) REPORT.—At the conclusion of the study author-
14 ized by subsection (a), the Secretary of the Army shall
15 submit to Congress a report on the results of the study,
16 together with a comprehensive protection plan rec-
17 ommending specific actions to restore and maintain the
18 chemical, physical, and biological integrity of the
19 Mahoning River. The plan shall include a schedule for im-
20 plementing recommended actions.

21 **SEC. 3. DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army is au-
23 thorized to carry out a 5-year demonstration program to
24 determine the effectiveness of promising technologies to
25 remedy contaminated sediments in river beds.

1 (b) SELECTION OF LOCATION.—In selecting the loca-
2 tion for conducting the demonstration program under this
3 section, priority consideration shall be given to the areas
4 of northeast Ohio and western Pennsylvania.

5 **SEC. 4. FUNDING.**

6 There is authorized to be appropriated \$10,000,000
7 for each of the fiscal years 1995 through 1999 to carry
8 out the demonstration program authorized by section 3.

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