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H. R. 879

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to provide grants for projects that demonstrate technologies and methods for reducing discharges from combined sewer overflows into navigable waters of interstate significance.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 9, 1995

Mr. OLVER (for himself and Mr. NEAL) 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. COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW TECHNOLOGIES.**

4 Section 105 of the Federal Water Pollution Control
5 Act (33 U.S.C. 1255) is amended by adding at the end
6 the following:

1 “(k) COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW TECH-
2 NOLOGIES.—

3 “(1) DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS.—The Admin-
4 istrator is authorized to make grants to State, inter-
5 state, regional, and local entities for projects that
6 demonstrate innovative and cost-effective tech-
7 nologies and methods for reducing discharges from
8 combined sewer overflows into navigable waters of
9 interstate significance.

10 “(2) CONSISTENCY WITH EPA POLICY.—The
11 Administrator may make a grant for a project under
12 this subsection only if the Administrator determines
13 that the project is consistent with any national com-
14 bined sewer overflow policy of the Environmental
15 Protection Agency in effect during the period of re-
16 view of the application for the project.

17 “(3) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants under this
18 subsection, the Administrator shall give priority con-
19 sideration to projects that provide for the transfer of
20 technologies demonstrated under the project to other
21 areas of the United States.

22 “(4) PROJECT ELEMENTS.—The Administrator
23 may make an individual grant under this subsection
24 for carrying out each the following elements of a
25 project:

1 “(A) A feasibility study.

2 “(B) Engineering and design.

3 “(C) Construction.

4 “(5) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of
5 the costs of a project carried out using amounts
6 from grants under this subsection shall not exceed—

7 “(A) 100 percent of the cost of a feasibility
8 study for the project;

9 “(B) 80 percent of the cost of engineering
10 and design for the project; and

11 “(C) 80 percent of the cost of construction
12 of the project.

13 “(6) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—
14 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out
15 this subsection \$100,000,000 per fiscal year for each
16 of fiscal years 1996 through 2001.”.

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