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119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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To direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to include certain nanoplastics and microplastics on a certain list of unregulated contaminants published pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. TLAIB introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

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 “Monitor Microplastics
5 Now Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. MONITORING PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN UNREGU-**
2 **LATED CONTAMINANTS UNDER SAFE DRINK-**
3 **ING WATER ACT.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the
6 Environmental Protection Agency shall include the
7 substances described in paragraph (2) in the sixth
8 publication of the list of unregulated contaminants
9 under section 1445(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Safe Drinking
10 Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j–4(a)(2)(B)(i)).

11 (2) SUBSTANCES DESCRIBED.—The substances
12 described in this paragraph are nanoplastics and
13 microplastics that are not subject to a national pri-
14 mary drinking water regulation.

15 (3) EXCEPTION.—The substances included on
16 the list of unregulated contaminants pursuant to
17 paragraph (1) shall not count toward the limit of 30
18 unregulated contaminants under section
19 1445(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Safe Drinking Water Act
20 (42 U.S.C. 300j–4(a)(2)(B)(i)).

21 (4) REISSUANCE OF FINAL RULE.—If a final
22 rule for the sixth publication of the list of unregu-
23 lated contaminants under section 1445(a)(2)(B)(i)
24 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j–
25 4(a)(2)(B)(i)) is promulgated before the date of en-
26 actment of this Act, the Administrator of the Envi-

1 ronmental Protection Agency shall reissue a final
2 rule for such sixth publication to include the sub-
3 stances described in paragraph (2) on such list.

4 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 (1) NANOPLASTIC.—The term “nanoplastic”
6 means a plastic fragment or particle less than 1,000
7 nanometers in diameter.

8 (2) MICROPLASTIC.—The term “microplastic”
9 means a plastic fragment or particle less than 5 mil-
10 limeters in diameter.