

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-

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At the end of title I, add the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . REDUCING REGULATORY BURDENS.**

2 (a) USE OF AUTHORIZED PESTICIDES.—Section 3(f)
3 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
4 (7 U.S.C. 136a(f)) is amended by adding at the end the
5 following:

6 “(5) USE OF AUTHORIZED PESTICIDES.—Ex-
7 cept as provided in section 402(s) of the Federal
8 Water Pollution Control Act, the Administrator or a
9 State may not require a permit under such Act for
10 a discharge from a point source into navigable wa-
11 ters of a pesticide authorized for sale, distribution,
12 or use under this Act, or the residue of such a pes-
13 ticide, resulting from the application of such pes-
14 ticide.”.

15 (b) DISCHARGES OF PESTICIDES.—Section 402 of
16 the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1342)
17 is amended by adding at the end the following:

18 “(s) DISCHARGES OF PESTICIDES.—

1 “(1) NO PERMIT REQUIREMENT.—Except as
2 provided in paragraph (2), a permit shall not be re-
3 quired by the Administrator or a State under this
4 Act for a discharge from a point source into navi-
5 gable waters of a pesticide authorized for sale, dis-
6 tribution, or use under the Federal Insecticide, Fun-
7 gicide, and Rodenticide Act, or the residue of such
8 a pesticide, resulting from the application of such
9 pesticide.

10 “(2) EXCEPTIONS.—Paragraph (1) shall not
11 apply to the following discharges of a pesticide or
12 pesticide residue:

13 “(A) A discharge resulting from the appli-
14 cation of a pesticide in violation of a provision
15 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and
16 Rodenticide Act that is relevant to protecting
17 water quality, if—

18 “(i) the discharge would not have oc-
19 curred but for the violation; or

20 “(ii) the amount of pesticide or pes-
21 ticide residue in the discharge is greater
22 than would have occurred without the vio-
23 lation.

24 “(B) Stormwater discharges subject to reg-
25 ulation under subsection (p).

1 “(C) The following discharges subject to
2 regulation under this section:

3 “(i) Manufacturing or industrial efflu-
4 ent.

5 “(ii) Treatment works effluent.

6 “(iii) Discharges incidental to the nor-
7 mal operation of a vessel, including a dis-
8 charge resulting from ballasting operations
9 or vessel biofouling prevention.”.

