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117TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

**H. R.**

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. DONALDS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Protecting Commu-  
5 nities from Harmful Algal Blooms Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. ALGAL BLOOMS.**

7 Section 102(2) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster  
8 Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122(2))

1 is amended by striking “or drought” and inserting  
2 “drought, or algal blooms”.

3 **SEC. 3. IMPACTS OF ALGAL BLOOMS ON AIR QUALITY.**

4 Not later than 365 days after the date of enactment  
5 of this Act, the Director of the Centers for Disease Control  
6 and Prevention shall submit to the Committee on Environ-  
7 ment and Public Works of the Senate, the Committee of  
8 Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate, the  
9 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Sen-  
10 ate, the Committee on Oversight and Reform of the House  
11 of Representatives, the Committee on Science, Space, and  
12 Technology of the House of Representatives, and the Com-  
13 mittee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Rep-  
14 resentatives a detailed study relating to the health effects  
15 of exposure to cyanotoxins in the air that result from algal  
16 blooms.