



Support the Environmental Justice for All Act!

H.R. 1705/S. 919: A. Donald McEachin Environmental Justice for All Act - Introduced by Rep. Raúl M. Grijalva and Sen. Tammy Duckworth

Background

Underserved and marginalized communities across the nation have been on the front lines of environmental injustice for decades, from toxic waste sites and air pollution to industrial animal agriculture poisoning nearby groundwater. Everyone deserves access to clean air, safe drinking water, and a healthy environment to live in.

Summary

The A. Donald McEachin Environmental Justice for All Act is considered the most comprehensive EJ legislation piece in history. This bill has support from over 300 groups and includes 350 written comments from the public and environmental leaders. If passed, this bill would:

- Strengthen Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, prohibiting discrimination based on disparate impact, overturns *Alexander v. Sandoval* which would allow private citizens, residents, and organizations to seek legal action when facing discrimination.
- Direct federal agencies to develop environmental justice strategies and report on progress. The agencies must also provide “meaningful community involvement” under NEPA and ensure Tribal representation throughout the NEPA process.
- Authorize \$75 million per year for grants to support research, education, outreach, and more for projects to address environmental and public health issues in EJ communities.

Act now!

Ask your Member of Congress to cosponsor the Environmental Justice for All Act (H.R. 1705/S. 919) to ensure all Americans have an equitable and safe environment to live in!