

117TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 7612

To advance desalination research and technological innovation, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 28, 2022

Mr. LEVIN of California (for himself and Ms. MACE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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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 “Desalination Research  
5 Advancement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DESALINATION RESEARCH AUTHORIZATION.**

2 (a) Section 8 of the Water Desalination Act of 1996  
3 (42 U.S.C. 10301 note; Public Law 104–298) is amended  
4 in subsection (a)—

5 (1) by striking “\$5,000,000 per year for fiscal  
6 years 1997 through 2021” and inserting  
7 “\$20,000,000 per year for fiscal years 2022 through  
8 2026”; and

9 (2) by striking “\$1,000,000” and inserting  
10 “\$15,000,000”.

11 (b) Section 3(e) of the Water Desalination Act of  
12 1996 is amended—

13 (1) in paragraph (5), by striking “and”;

14 (2) in paragraph (6), by striking the period at  
15 the end and inserting “; and”; and

16 (3) by adding at the end the following new  
17 paragraph:

18 “(7) to minimize the impacts of seawater desali-  
19 nation on aquatic life and coastal ecosystems, includ-  
20 ing technologies to monitor and reduce those im-  
21 pacts.”.

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