# H. R. 2674

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#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

April 20, 2021

Mr. Blumenauer (for himself, Ms. Barragán, Mr. Cartwright, Mr. Cleaver, Mr. Cohen, Mr. García of Illinois, Mr. Grijalva, Mr. Huffman, Ms. Jayapal, Mr. Jones, Mr. Kildee, Ms. Newman, Ms. Norton, Mr. Pallone, and Mr. Sires) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Energy and Commerce, and the Budget, 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

## A BILL

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| 1  | Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-         |
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| 2  | tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, |
| 3  | SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.                                      |
| 4  | This Act may be cited as the "Superfund Reinvest-            |
| 5  | ment Act".   |
| 6  | SEC. 2. USE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE SUPERFUND FOR             |
| 7  | CLEANUP.   |
| 8  | (a) AVAILABILITY OF AMOUNTS.—Section 111 of the              |
| 9  | Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation,          |
| 10 | and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9611) is amended—       |
| 11 | (1) in subsection (a) by striking "For the pur-              |
| 12 | poses specified" and all that follows through "for           |
| 13 | the following purposes:" and inserting the following:        |
| 14 | "The amount in the Hazardous Substance Super-                |
| 15 | fund established under section 9507 of the Internal          |
| 16 | Revenue Code of 1986 shall be available, without             |
| 17 | further appropriation, to be used for the purposes           |
| 18 | specified in this section. The President shall use           |
| 19 | such amount for the following purposes:"; and                |
| 20 | (2) in subsection (c)—                                       |
| 21 | (A) by striking "Subject to such amounts                     |
| 22 | as are provided in appropriations Acts, the"                 |
| 23 | each place it appears and inserting "The"; and               |

| 1                    | (B) in paragraph (12) by striking "to the  |
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| 2                    | extent that such costs" and all that follows   |
| 3                    | through "and 1994".  |
| 4                    | (b) Amendment to the Internal Revenue  |
| 5                    | Code.—Section 9507 of the Internal Revenue Code of   |
| 6                    | 1986 is amended—   |
| 7                    | (1) by striking "appropriated to" in subsection  |
| 8                    | (a)(1) and inserting "made available for";   |
| 9                    | (2) by striking "appropriated" in subsection (b)   |
| 10                   | and inserting "transferred";   |
| 11                   | (3) by striking ", as provided in appropriations   |
| 12                   | Acts," in subsection $(c)(1)$ ; and  |
| 13                   | (4) by striking "December 31, 1995" in sub-  |
| 14                   | section (d)(3)(B) and inserting "December 31,  |
| 15                   | 2029".   |
| 16                   |  |
|                      | SEC. 3. BUDGETARY TREATMENT OF HAZARDOUS SUB-  |
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| 17<br>18             |  |
|                      | STANCE SUPERFUND.  |
| 18                   | STANCE SUPERFUND.  Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the re-   |
| 18<br>19             | STANCE SUPERFUND.  Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the receipts and disbursements of the Hazardous Substance   |
| 18<br>19<br>20       | STANCE SUPERFUND.  Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the receipts and disbursements of the Hazardous Substance Superfund established in section 9507 of the Internal Rev-                  |
| 18<br>19<br>20<br>21 | STANCE SUPERFUND.  Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the receipts and disbursements of the Hazardous Substance Superfund established in section 9507 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986— |

| 1  | (A) the budget of the United States Gov-            |
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| 2  | ernment as submitted by the President;              |
| 3  | (B) the congressional budget (including al-         |
| 4  | locations of budget authority and outlays pro-      |
| 5  | vided therein);                                     |
| 6  | (C) the Balanced Budget and Emergency               |
| 7  | Deficit Control Act of 1985; or                     |
| 8  | (D) the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of              |
| 9  | 2010;   |
| 10 | (2) shall be exempt from any general budget         |
| 11 | limitation imposed by statute on expenditures and   |
| 12 | net lending (budget outlays) of the United States   |
| 13 | Government; and                                     |
| 14 | (3) shall be available only for the purposes        |
| 15 | specified in section 111 of the Comprehensive Envi- |
| 16 | ronmental Response, Compensation, and Liability     |
| 17 | Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9611).                       |
| 18 | SEC. 4. MODIFICATION OF SUPERFUND TAXES.            |
| 19 | (a) Hazardous Substance Superfund Financ-           |
| 20 | ING RATE.—  |
| 21 | (1) Extension.—Subsection (e) of section            |
| 22 | 4611 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is        |
| 23 | amended to read as follows:                         |
| 24 | "(e) Application of Hazardous Substance             |
| 25 | SUPERFUND FINANCING RATE.—The Hazardous Sub-        |

| 1  | stance Superfund financing rate under this section shall |
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| 2  | apply after December 31, 1986, and before January 1,     |
| 3  | 1996, and after the date of the enactment of the Super-  |
| 4  | fund Reinvestment Act.".                                 |
| 5  | (2) Adjustment for inflation.—                           |
| 6  | (A) Section 4611(c)(2)(A) of such Code is                |
| 7  | amended by striking "9.7 cents" and inserting            |
| 8  | "16.4 cents".  |
| 9  | (B) Section 4611(c) of such Code is                      |
| 10 | amended by adding at the end the following:              |
| 11 | "(3) Adjustment for inflation.—                          |
| 12 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a year                   |
| 13 | beginning after 2021, the amount in paragraph            |
| 14 | (2)(A) shall be increased by an amount equal             |
| 15 | to—  |
| 16 | "(i) such amount, multiplied by                          |
| 17 | "(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment de-                  |
| 18 | termined under section 1(f)(3) for the cal-              |
| 19 | endar year, determined by substituting                   |
| 20 | 'calendar year 2020' for 'calendar year                  |
| 21 | 2016' in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof.                   |
| 22 | "(B) Rounding.—If any amount as ad-                      |
| 23 | justed under subparagraph (A) is not a multiple          |
| 24 | of \$0.01, such amount shall be rounded to the           |
| 25 | next lowest multiple of \$0.01.".                        |

- 1 (b) Adjustment of Excise Tax on Certain
- 2 Chemicals for Inflation.—Section 4661(b) of such
- 3 Code is amended to read as follows:
- 4 "(b) Amount of Tax.—
- 5 "(1) IN GENERAL.—The amount of the tax im-
- 6 posed by subsection (a) shall be determined in ac-
- 7 cordance with the following table:

| "In the case of:     | The tax is the following amount per ton: |
|----------------------|--|
| Acetylene            | \$14.30                                  |
| Benzene              | 14.30                                    |
| Butane               | 14.30                                    |
| Butylene             | 14.30                                    |
| Butadiene            | 14.30                                    |
| Ethylene             | 14.30                                    |
| Methane              | 10.10                                    |
| Naphthalene          | 14.30                                    |
| Propylene            | 14.30                                    |
| Toluene              | 14.30                                    |
| Xylene               | 14.30                                    |
| Ammonia              | 7.75                                     |
| Antimony             | 13.06                                    |
| Antimony trioxide    | 11.01                                    |
| Arsenic              | 13.06                                    |
| Arsenic trioxide     | 10.01                                    |
| Barium sulfide       | 6.75                                     |
| Bromine              | 13.06                                    |
| Cadmium              | 13.06                                    |
| Chlorine             | 7.93                                     |
| Chromium             | 13.06                                    |
| Chromite             | 4.46                                     |
| Potassium dichromate | 4.96                                     |
| Sodium dichromate    | 5.49                                     |
| Cobalt               | 13.06                                    |
| Cupric sulfate       | 5.49                                     |
| Cupric oxide         | 10.54                                    |
| Cuprous oxide        | 11.66                                    |
| Hydrochlorie acid    | 0.85                                     |
| Hydrogen fluoride    | 12.42                                    |
| Lead oxide           | 12.15                                    |
| Mercury              | 13.06                                    |
| Nickel               | 13.06                                    |
| Phosphorus           | 13.06                                    |
| Stannous chloride    | 8.37                                     |
| Stannie chloride     | 6.22                                     |
| Zine chloride        | 6.52                                     |

| "In the case of:    | The tax is the following amount per ton: |
|---------------------|--|
| Zine sulfate        | 5.58                                     |
| Potassium hydroxide | 0.65                                     |
| Sodium hydroxide    | 0.82                                     |
| Sulfuric acid       | 0.76                                     |
| Nitrie acid         | 0.70.                                    |

### 1 "(2) Adjustment for inflation.— "(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a cal-2 endar year beginning after 2021, each of the 3 4 amounts in the table in paragraph (1) shall be increased by an amount equal to— 5 "(i) such amount, multiplied by 6 "(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment de-7 8 termined under section 1(f)(3) for the cal-9 endar year, determined by substituting 10 'calendar year 2020' for 'calendar year 2016' in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof. 11 "(B) ROUNDING.—If any amount as ad-12 13 justed under subparagraph (A) is not a multiple 14 of \$0.01, such amount shall be rounded to the 15 next lowest multiple of \$0.01.". 16 (c) Corporate Environmental Income Tax Re-17 INSTATED.— 18 (1) In General.—Subchapter A of chapter 1 19 of such Code is amended by inserting after part VII 20 the following:

### 1 "PART VIII—ENVIRONMENTAL TAX

"Sec. 59B. Environmental tax.

| 2  | "SEC. 59B. ENVIRONMENTAL TAX.                               |
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| 3  | "(a) Imposition of Tax.—In the case of a corpora-           |
| 4  | tion, there is hereby imposed (in addition to any other tax |
| 5  | imposed by this subtitle) a tax equal to 0.12 percent of    |
| 6  | the excess of—  |
| 7  | "(1) the modified environmental tax taxable in-             |
| 8  | come of such corporation for the taxable year, over         |
| 9  | "(2) \$4,700,000.   |
| 10 | "(b) Modified Environmental Tax Taxable In-                 |
| 11 | COME.—For purposes of this section, the term 'modified      |
| 12 | environmental tax taxable income' means taxable income      |
| 13 | determined without regard to—                               |
| 14 | "(1) the net operating loss deduction allowable             |
| 15 | under section 172, and                                      |
| 16 | "(2) the deduction allowed under section                    |
| 17 | 164(a)(5).  |
| 18 | "(c) Exception for RICs and REITs.—The tax                  |
| 19 | imposed by subsection (a) shall not apply to—               |
| 20 | "(1) a regulated investment company to which                |
| 21 | part I of subchapter M applies, and                         |
| 22 | "(2) a real estate investment trust to which                |
| 23 | part II of subchapter M applies.                            |
| 24 | "(d) Special Rules.—  |

| 1  | "(1) Short taxable years.—The application                  |
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| 2  | of this section to taxable years of less than 12           |
| 3  | months shall be in accordance with regulations pre-        |
| 4  | scribed by the Secretary.                                  |
| 5  | "(2) Section 15 Not to Apply.—Section 15                   |
| 6  | shall not apply to the tax imposed by this section.        |
| 7  | "(e) Adjustment for Inflation.—                            |
| 8  | "(1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a taxable                  |
| 9  | year beginning after 2021, the dollar amount in sub-       |
| 10 | section (a)(2) shall be increased by an amount equal       |
| 11 | to—  |
| 12 | "(A) such amount, multiplied by                            |
| 13 | "(B) the cost-of-living adjustment deter-                  |
| 14 | mined under section $1(f)(3)$ for the calendar             |
| 15 | year in which the taxable year begins, deter-              |
| 16 | mined by substituting 'calendar year 2020' for             |
| 17 | 'calendar year 2016' in subparagraph (A)(ii)               |
| 18 | thereof.   |
| 19 | "(2) ROUNDING.—If any amount as adjusted                   |
| 20 | under subparagraph (A) is not a multiple of \$1,000,       |
| 21 | such amount shall be rounded to the next lowest            |
| 22 | multiple of \$1,000.                                       |
| 23 | "(f) APPLICATION OF TAX.—The tax imposed by this           |
| 24 | section shall apply to taxable years ending after the date |
| 25 | of the enactment of the Superfund Reinvestment Act.".      |

| 1  | (2) Conforming amendments.—                     |
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| 2  | (A) Paragraph (2) of section 26(b) of such      |
| 3  | Code is amended by striking "and" at the end    |
| 4  | of subparagraph (X), by striking the period at  |
| 5  | the end of subparagraph (Y) and inserting ",    |
| 6  | and", and by adding at the end the following    |
| 7  | new subparagraph:                               |
| 8  | "(Z) section 59B (relating to environ-          |
| 9  | mental tax).".                                  |
| 10 | (B) Subsection (a) of section 164 of such       |
| 11 | Code is amended by inserting after paragraph    |
| 12 | (4) the following:                              |
| 13 | "(5) The environmental tax imposed by section   |
| 14 | 59B.".  |
| 15 | (C) Section 275(a) of such Code is amend-       |
| 16 | ed by inserting at the end the following flush  |
| 17 | sentence: "Paragraph (1) shall not apply to the |
| 18 | tax imposed by section 59B.".                   |
| 19 | (D) Section 882(a)(1) of such Code is           |
| 20 | amended by striking "or 59A" and inserting ",   |
| 21 | 59A, or 59B".                                   |
| 22 | (E) Section 1561(a) of such Code is             |
| 23 | amended by inserting "and one dollar amount     |
| 24 | in effect under section 59B(a)(2) for the tax-  |
| 25 | able year for purposes of computing the tax im- |

| 1  | posed by section 59B" after "under section       |
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| 2  | 535(e)(2) and $(3)$ ".                           |
| 3  | (F) Section 6425(c)(1)(A) of such Code is        |
| 4  | amended by striking "plus" at end of clause (i), |
| 5  | by striking "over" at the end of clause (ii) and |
| 6  | inserting "plus", and by inserting after clause  |
| 7  | (ii) the following:                              |
| 8  | "(iii) the tax imposed by section 59B,           |
| 9  | over".   |
| 10 | (G) Section 6655 of such Code is amend-          |
| 11 | $\operatorname{ed}$ —                            |
| 12 | (i) in subsections $(e)(2)(A)(i)$ and            |
| 13 | (e)(2)(B)(i), by striking "taxable income        |
| 14 | and modified taxable income" and insert-         |
| 15 | ing "taxable income, modified taxable in-        |
| 16 | come, and modified environmental tax tax-        |
| 17 | able income";                                    |
| 18 | (ii) in subsection (e)(2)(B), by insert-         |
| 19 | ing after clause (ii) the following:             |
| 20 | "(iii) Modified environmental                    |
| 21 | TAX TAXABLE INCOME.—The term 'modi-              |
| 22 | fied environmental tax taxable income' has       |
| 23 | the meaning given to such term by section        |
| 24 | 59B(b)."; and                                    |

| 1  | (iii) in subsection (g)(1)(A), by strik-             |
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| 2  | ing "plus" at the end of clause (ii), by re-         |
| 3  | designating clause (iii) as clause (iv) and          |
| 4  | by inserting after clause (ii) the following:        |
| 5  | "(iii) the tax imposed by section 59B,               |
| 6  | plus".   |
| 7  | (H) Section 9507(b)(1) of such Code is               |
| 8  | amended by inserting "59B," before "4611".           |
| 9  | (3) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of                 |
| 10 | parts for subchapter A of chapter 1 of such Code is  |
| 11 | amended by inserting after the item relating to part |
| 12 | VII the following new item:                          |
|    | "PART VIII. ENVIRONMENTAL TAX".                      |
| 13 | (d) Technical Amendments.—                           |
| 14 | (1) Subsection (b) of section 4611 of such Code      |
| 15 | is amended—  |
| 16 | (A) by striking "or exported from" in                |
| 17 | paragraph (1)(A);                                    |
| 18 | (B) by striking "or exportation" in para-            |
| 19 | graph $(1)(B)$ ; and                                 |
| 20 | (C) by striking "AND EXPORTATION" in                 |
| 21 | the heading thereof.                                 |
| 22 | (2) Paragraph (3) of section 4611(d) of such         |
| 23 | Code is amended—                                     |

| 1  | (A) by striking "or exporting the crude oil,            |
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| 2  | as the case may be" and inserting "the crude            |
| 3  | oil"; and   |
| 4  | (B) by striking "OR EXPORTS" in the                     |
| 5  | heading thereof.  |
| 6  | (e) Effective Date.—                                    |
| 7  | (1) In general.—Except as provided in para-             |
| 8  | graph (2), the amendments made by this section          |
| 9  | shall apply to oil and petroleum products received or   |
| 10 | entered during calendar quarters beginning after        |
| 11 | December 31, 2021.                                      |
| 12 | (2) Corporate environmental income                      |
| 13 | TAX.—The amendment made by section 4(c) shall           |
| 14 | apply to taxable years beginning after December 31,     |
| 15 | 2021.   |
| 16 | SEC. 5. APPLICABILITY.                                  |
| 17 | Except as provided in section 4(f), this Act (including |
| 18 | the amendments made by this Act) shall apply to fiscal  |
| 19 | years beginning after September 30, 2021.               |

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