

Congressman Rothman Votes in Favor of Ensuring a Sustainable and Clean Water Supply for Generations to Come

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— Today, Congressman Steve Rothman (D-NJ), a member of the U.S. House Science and Technology Committee, voted in favor of H.R. 1145, the National Water Research and Development Initiative Act, to provide a clear path to ensure clean and adequate water supplies for generations to come. The Act will make sure that the United States has an effective national water strategy that uses federal research and development dollars efficiently and eliminates redundant programs. The Act passed the House 413 to 10.

“New Jersey is the most densely populated state in the United States. Ensuring that we have a plan for an efficient, sustainable and clean water supply is essential for the future of our state,” said Rothman. “This bill will also make sure that we have an effective national water strategy that uses federal research and development monies efficiently, and makes certain we are adequately prepared to address our nation’s water needs.”

The bill requires an interagency committee to develop a National Water Research and Development Initiative. It requires the President to establish or designate this committee with representation from all federal agencies dealing with water to improve federal activities on water, including research, development, demonstration, data collection and dissemination and education.

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