

**Summary of Changes in the
Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to
H.R. 5320, “Assistance, Quality, and Affordability Act of 2010”**

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The Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute (AINS) makes the following changes to H.R. 5320:

Section 2. Technical Assistance for Small Public Water Systems

Paragraph (3) is amended to include the consideration of the preferences of small public water systems in the Administrator’s weighting of technical assistance grants and cooperative assistance to nonprofit organizations.

Section 15. Reducing Lead in Drinking Water

Subsection (b) is amended to establish that the provisions of the section shall be effective 36 months after the enactment of this Act.

Section 16. The Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program

Subsection (f) paragraph (2) is amended to clarify that EPA is not required to determine whether to take regulatory action on a substance prior to having had data regarding the endocrine-related health effects caused by the substance for six months. It is also amended with the addition of a clause that makes explicit that nothing in Section 16 affects the Administrator’s other existing statutory authority.

Subsection (g) paragraph (2) is amended to clarify that any regulatory action taken would be taken under EPA’s other existing statutory authority.

Subsection (j) is amended to clarify that EPA must report to Congress on actions the agency has taken on endocrine disruptors under the endocrine disruptor screening program, but the report no longer has to include regulatory actions taken related to endocrine disruptors.