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# H. J. RES. 144

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States respecting the right to clean air, pure water, and the sustainable preservation of the ecological integrity, and aesthetic, scenic, and historical values of the natural environment.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 11, 2018

Mr. MCEACHIN (for himself, Ms. JAYAPAL, and Ms. BARRAGÁN) submitted the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

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1       *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*  
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*  
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the fol-*  
4 *lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-*  
5 *stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all*  
6 *intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when*  
7 *ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several*

1 States within seven years after the date of its submission  
2 for ratification:

3 “ARTICLE —

4 “The right of any person to clean air, pure water,  
5 and to the sustainable preservation of the ecological integ-  
6 rity and aesthetic, scientific, and historical values of the  
7 natural environment shall not be denied or abridged by  
8 the United States or any State, and the Congress shall  
9 have power to enforce and implement this article by appro-  
10 priate legislation.”.

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