



## H.R. 5119 — No 2H2O from Iran Act (Rep. Pompeo, R-KS)

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### FLOOR SCHEDULE:

Scheduled for consideration on July 13, 2016 under a closed [rule](#).

### TOPLINE SUMMARY:

[H.R. 5119](#) would prohibit any federal department or agency from purchasing heavy water produced in Iran in any fiscal year; or from issuing a license for the purchase of heavy water produced in Iran.

### COST:

No Congressional Budget Office (CBO) estimate is available.

### CONSERVATIVE CONCERNS:

- **Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?** No.
- **Encroach into State or Local Authority?** No.
- **Delegate Any Legislative Authority to the Executive Branch?** No.
- **Contain Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits?** No.

### DETAILED SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS:

H.R. 5119 would prohibit any federal department or agency from purchasing heavy water produced in Iran in any fiscal year; or from issuing a license for the purchase of heavy water produced in Iran.

According to recent [news reports](#), the Department of Energy is planning on purchasing 32 metric tons of heavy water from Iran, worth \$8.6 million. Heavy water has the potential for combining with uranium to produce weapons-grade plutonium. Furthermore heavy water purchases were not a requirement of the Iran nuclear agreement. More information on the Iran nuclear deal can be found [here](#) and [here](#) in the RSC's legislative bulletins on the Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act. More information from the Foundation for the Defense of Democracy on Iran's sale of heavy water can be found [here](#) and [here](#). A Dear Colleague from the bill's sponsor can be found [here](#). A report from the Institute for Science and International Security on the purchase of Iranian heavy water can be found [here](#).

### COMMITTEE ACTION:

H.R. 5119 was introduced on April 28, 2016 and was referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

### ADMINISTRATION POSITION:

The Statement of Administration Policy is available [here](#). According to the statement, if the President were presented with H.R. 5119, he would veto the bill.

**CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY:**

According to the bill's sponsor: "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article 1 Section 9 Clause 7 of the U.S. Constitution."

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