

119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2408

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 27, 2025

Mr. BUCHANAN (for himself and Mr. SOTO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Protecting Local Com-  
5 munities from Harmful Algal Blooms Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. ALGAL BLOOMS.**

7 Section 102(2) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster  
8 Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5122)

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1 is amended by striking “or drought” and inserting  
2 “drought, or algal blooms”.

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