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H. R. 3640

To direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish an office in a community in the United States located not more than 10 miles from the border between the United States and Mexico.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 22, 1993

Mr. FILNER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries

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. ESTABLISHMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PRO-**
4 **TECTION AGENCY OFFICE ON UNITED**
5 **STATES-MEXICO BORDER.**

6 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 1 year after
7 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator

1 of the Environmental Protection Agency shall establish an
2 office in a community in the United States that is—

3 (1) located in the area of the United States
4 that is not more than 10 miles from the border be-
5 tween the United States and Mexico, and

6 (2) the largest city in that area.

7 (b) REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR.—The head of the of-
8 fice established under this section shall be the Regional
9 Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency for
10 the region of the United States located generally along the
11 border between the United States and Mexico.

12 (c) FUNCTIONS.—The Administrator of the Environ-
13 mental Protection Agency shall delegate to the Regional
14 Administrator referred to in subsection (b) the functions
15 of the Administrator relating to—

16 (1) administering activities conducted by the
17 Environmental Protection Agency in the region of
18 the United States located generally along the border
19 between the United States and Mexico; and

20 (2) coordinating, and cooperating with the Gov-
21 ernment of Mexico in, the implementation of pro-
22 grams of the Environmental Protection Agency re-
23 lating to transboundary hazardous waste and air,
24 soil, and water quality problems, including—

1 (A) programs to counter impacts of trade
2 agreements between the United States and
3 Mexico, and

4 (B) programs conducted pursuant to the
5 1983 Border Environmental Agreement be-
6 tween the United States and Mexico.

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