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Bibliogov, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 246 x 189 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.In the 108th Congress, key drinking water issues include water infrastructure funding and drinking water problems caused by specific contaminants, such as the gasoline additive methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) and perchlorate. Congress last reauthorized the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) in 1996, and although funding authority for most SDWA programs expires in FY2003, broad reauthorization efforts are not expected as EPA, states, and water utilities continue implementing the 1996 amendments. The 108th Congress has renewed efforts to address drinking water contamination by MTBE. Both the House and the Senate have passed bills that authorize appropriations from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Trust Fund to remediate MTBE contamination. The bills include the House and Senate versions of H.R. 6, the comprehensive energy bills, and S. 195, a bill focused on underground storage tank leak prevention and cleanup. Concerns over the security of the nation's drinking water supplies were addressed by the 107th Congress through the Bioterrorism Preparedness Act (P.L. 107-188), which amended SDWA to require community water systems to conduct vulnerability assessments and prepare emergency response...



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