PFAS Action Act (HR 535) Summary

Representative Elissa Slotkin, in a letter to constituents, summarized the provisions of the PFAS Action Act:

- Direct the EPA to establish drinking water standards for PFAS;
- Prevent any new materials containing PFAS from coming to market;
- Designate certain PFAS chemicals as hazardous substances under the law that governs the Superfund cleanup program;
- Stem the flow of PFAS contamination into the environment by requiring cleanup of sites contaminated with PFOA and PFOS;
- Identify health risks by requiring comprehensive health testing for all PFAS, reporting of PFAS releases, and monitoring for PFAS in drinking water;
- Authorize \$100 million annually through fiscal 2024 to help states address contamination in drinking water;
- Authorize \$100 million in both fiscal 2020 and 2021 for a grant program to support the installation of treatment technologies;
- Create a voluntary label for cookware that is PFAS-free;
- Provide guidance for first responders to limit their exposure.