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S 2608

Coastal and Estuarine Land Protection Act

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Chamber: Senate

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Hollings, Ernest F. [D-SC]

Party: Democratic • State: SC • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (25 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Biden, Joseph R., Jr. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jun 11, 2002
Sen. Breaux, John B. [D-LA]	D · LA		Jun 11, 2002
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Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Jun 11, 2002
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Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jun 11, 2002
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jun 11, 2002
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Jun 11, 2002
Sen. Sarbanes, Paul S. [D-MD]	$D\cdotMD$		Jun 11, 2002
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		Jun 11, 2002
Sen. Torricelli, Robert G. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jun 11, 2002
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jun 12, 2002
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Jun 19, 2002
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Jun 19, 2002
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Jun 21, 2002
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		Jun 24, 2002
Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]	D · MI		Jul 23, 2002
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Oct 7, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Oct 3, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Oct 3, 2002)

Coastal and Estuarine Land Protection Act - (Sec. 3) Amends the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 to establish a Coastal and Estuarine Land Protection Program to protect the environmental integrity of undeveloped coastal and estuarine areas. Authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to make program grants to coastal States for the purpose of acquiring property interests. Prohibits any more than 75 percent of the grant funding from being derived from Federal sources. Provides for waivers of such requirement, including for underserved communities.

Authorizes the Secretary to provide \$5 million for a regional watershed protection demonstration project that: (1) leverages land acquisition funding from other Federal conservation or acquisition programs; (2) involves partnerships with Federal, State, and non-governmental entities; (3) creates conservation corridors; (4) protects habitats under imminent threat of development or conversion; (5) provides water quality protection for areas under the National Estuarine Research Reserve program; and (6) provides a model for future regional watershed protection projects.

Reserves no less than 15 percent of program funds for acquisitions benefitting the National Estuarine Research Reserve.

Specifies that when property is acquired under this program: (1) title will be held by the grant recipient; (2) property will be managed consistent with the purpose of the program; and (3) funds will be returned to the Secretary if the property is sold, exchanged, or divested.

Authorizes appropriations.

(Sec. 4) Permits the Secretary to enter into contracts or other arrangements with other Federal agencies in conducting the program of technical assistance and management-oriented research necessary to support the development and implementation of State coastal management program amendments furthering cooperative international coastal zone management.

Actions Timeline

- Oct 3, 2002: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Hollings with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 107-296.
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- Oct 3, 2002: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 633.
- Sep 19, 2002: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- Jun 11, 2002: Introduced in Senate
- Jun 11, 2002: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5369-5370)
- Jun 11, 2002: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.