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# HR 958

Hydrographic Services Amendments of 2004

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

Introduced: Feb 27, 2003

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and

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Transportation. (Mar 24, 2004)

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### **Sponsor**

Name: Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]

Party: Republican • State: AK • Chamber: House

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 24, 2004
Natural Resources Committee	House	Reported by	Jul 17, 2003

### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Public Lands and Natural Resources

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

Hydrographic Services Amendments of 2004 - **Title I: NOAA Hydrographic Services Improvement -** (Sec. 102) Amends the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998 (HSIA) to require the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) (Administrator) to establish, equip, and maintain up to four Regional Navigation Response teams in priority coastal areas to conduct activities related to navigational safety and the validation of hydrographic data.

Authorizes the Administrator to: (1) establish and implement a volunteer program and accept volunteer services; and (2) participate in a joint institute that develops new hydrographic technology and conducts academic, educational, and outreach activities that assist the Administrator.

(Sec. 103) Designates as Koss Cove a cove on the southern coast of Elrington Island in Alaska, in honor of the late Able Bodied Seaman Eric Steiner Koss who served on the NOAA vessel RAINIER and died in the performance of a nautical charting mission off the Alaskan coast.

(Sec. 104) Requires the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) and the Secretary of the Interior to provide to specified congressional committees a plan to depict the same shorelines on NOAA nautical charts and U.S. Geological Survey mapping products.

(Sec. 105) Revises HSIA requirements relating to the Hydrographic Services Advisory Panel and certain duties of the Secretary and the NOAA Administrator.

(Sec. 106) Authorizes specified funds under HSIA in each fiscal year for the Great Lakes Water Level Observation Network.

**Title II: Fishery Survey Vessels -** (Sec. 201) Amends the Fisheries Survey Vessel Authorization Act of 2000 to revise and extend for FY 2005 and 2006 the authorization of appropriations for certain fishery survey vessels.

(Sec. 202) Directs the Secretary to report to specified committees on the acquisition of a new hydrographic survey vessel having specified capabilities, the retirement of any current vessel(s), and operation and maintenance cost comparisons between the two.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Mar 24, 2004: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- Mar 23, 2004: Mr. Saxton moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- Mar 23, 2004: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1330-1331)
- Mar 23, 2004: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 958.
- Mar 23, 2004: At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- Mar 23, 2004: Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H1342)
- Mar 23, 2004: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 384 23 (Roll no. 73).(text: CR H1330-1331)
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- Mar 23, 2004: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Nov 21, 2003: Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Resources. H. Rept. 108-400.
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- Nov 21, 2003: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 229.
- Oct 29, 2003: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Oct 29, 2003: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- Jul 17, 2003: Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Jul 17, 2003: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- Mar 27, 2003: Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- Mar 5, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans.
- Feb 27, 2003: Introduced in House
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