

HR 50

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Act

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Current Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

Latest Action: Subcommittee Hearings Held. (May 19, 2005)

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	May 19, 2005
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Reported by	Mar 15, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 5450	Text similarities	Sep 21, 2006: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Act - Reestablishes the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in the Department of Commerce (DOC), headed by an Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere who shall serve as the Administrator of NOAA.

Establishes within NOAA the positions of: (1) Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere; (2) Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere; (3) Deputy Assistant Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere; (4) Deputy Assistant Secretary for Science, Technology, Education, and Outreach; and (5) General Counsel.

Places within NOAA: (1) the National Weather Service; (2) programs to support operations of ongoing data collection and direct services and products regarding satellite, observations, and coastal, ocean, and Great Lakes information; (3) programs to conduct and support research and education and the development of technologies relating to weather, climate, and the coasts, oceans, and Great Lakes; and (4) a Science Advisory Board.

Requires the Administrator to develop: (1) an assessment of the adequacy of the environmental data and information systems of NOAA, including a strategic plan that sets forth modernization and improvement objectives for an integrated national environmental data access and archive system; and (2) a strategic plan for science and technology research and development (R&D) at NOAA.

Sets forth certain requirements that prohibit the Administrator from closing, consolidating, relocating, subdividing, or establishing a facility of NOAA unless there has been public notification and an assessment of any proposed changes.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **May 19, 2005:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **May 17, 2005:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 17, 2005:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 15, 2005:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 15, 2005:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Feb 10, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards.
- **Feb 3, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans.
- **Jan 4, 2005:** Introduced in House
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- **Jan 4, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E11-12)
- **Jan 4, 2005:** Referred to the Committee on Science, and in addition to the Committee on Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
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