

HR 1672

Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Reauthorization Act of 2009

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Chamber: House

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]

Party: Democratic • **State:** WA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Dicks, Norman D. [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Mar 23, 2009
Rep. Inslee, Jay [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Mar 23, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Nov 18, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 668	Identical bill	Oct 21, 2009: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 185.

Summary (as of Dec 7, 2009)

Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Reauthorization Act of 2009 - Amends the Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Act to define "Northwest Straits" as the marine waters of the Strait of Juan de Fuca and of Puget Sound from the Canadian border to the south end of Snohomish County, Washington.

Sets forth the membership of the Northwest Straits Advisory Commission. Directs the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, to appoint an employee of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to serve as a liaison between the Commission and the Department of Commerce and to attend the Commission's meetings and events as a nonvoting participant. States the goal of the Commission as the protection and restoration of the marine waters, habitats, and species of the Northwest Straits region in Washington to achieve ecosystem health and sustainable resource use. Enumerates the duties of the Commission and establishes benchmarks for its work. Requires the Commission to submit annual reports to Congress and the Under Secretary on its activities and its progress in achieving specified benchmarks.

Authorizes the Manager of the Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program of Washington's Department of Ecology, upon the recommendation of the Commission and the Director of the Padilla Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, to appoint and terminate a Director of the Commission. Requires the Director to be confirmed by the Commission.

Provides for the establishment of marine resources committees in specified counties of Washington.

Authorizes the Director of the Commission and the Director of the State of Washington Department of Ecology to establish the Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Foundation as a nonprofit foundation to support the Commission and the marine resources committees established by this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 8, 2009:** Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 221.
- **Dec 7, 2009:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 111-354.
- **Dec 7, 2009:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 206.
- **Dec 7, 2009:** Ms. Bordallo moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Dec 7, 2009:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H13530-13532)
- **Dec 7, 2009:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1672.
- **Dec 7, 2009:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H13530-13532)
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- **Dec 7, 2009:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Nov 18, 2009:** Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife Discharged.
- **Nov 18, 2009:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Nov 18, 2009:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Oct 20, 2009:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Mar 26, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.
- **Mar 23, 2009:** Introduced in House
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