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## HR 300

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Act

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Science, Technology, Communications

**Introduced:** Jan 8, 2009

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife. (Feb 4, 2009)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/house-bill/300>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Ehlers, Vernon J. [R-MI-3]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** MI • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 4, 2009
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 8, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Science, Technology, Communications

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Jan 8, 2009)

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

Maintains within NOAA: (1) the National Weather Service; (2) programs to support efforts, on a continuing basis, to collect data and provide information and products regarding satellites, observations, and coastal, ocean, and Great Lakes information; and (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.

Establishes a Science Advisory Board within NOAA.

Terminates the Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 1970 (the executive order that established NOAA).

Requires the Administrator to develop and submit to Congress a NOAA reorganization plan.

Prohibits the Administrator from closing, consolidating, relocating, subdividing, or establishing a facility of NOAA unless there has been specified prior public and congressional notification, and an assessment, of any proposed changes.

Prohibits, except as provided, a NOAA activity or function that is converted to contractor performance under Office of Management and Budget Circular A-76 from being performed by the contractor or any subcontractor at a location outside of the United States.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Feb 4, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.
- **Jan 8, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 8, 2009:** Referred to House Science and Technology
- **Jan 8, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Science and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Natural 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.
- **Jan 8, 2009:** Referred to House Natural Resources
- **Jan 8, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.

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