

## HR 2258

### National Hurricane Research Initiative Act of 2011

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## Committee Activity

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## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 692	Related bill	Jan 2, 2013: By Senator Rockefeller from Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation filed written report. Report No. 112-266.

National Hurricane Research Initiative Act of 2011 - Requires the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere of the Department of Commerce (the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration [NOAA]) and the Director of the National Science Foundation (NSF) to establish a National Hurricane Research Initiative and to cooperate with other specified federal agencies to carry it out.

Requires such Initiative to set research objectives (based on a National Science Board report on the need for such Initiative) to: (1) make recommendations to the Board and to the NOAA Science Advisory Board; (2) assemble the science and engineering expertise of state or local government agencies and nongovernmental entities through a multi-agency effort focused on improving severe tropical storm forecasting capabilities, on durable and resilient infrastructure, and on mitigating impacts on coastal populations, the coastal built environment, and the natural coastal environment; and (3) make grants for hurricane research, including regarding storm internal dynamics, predicting high winds, tornadoes, and storm surge, and improving measurements of hurricanes and tropical storms through specified technologies.

Directs the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, through the National Science and Technology Council, to coordinate U.S. activities related to the Initiative as a formal program with a well-defined organizational structure and execution plan.

Directs the Under Secretary and the Director to: (1) issue a request for proposals to undertake the basic and applied research with a sufficient annual budget to accomplish the desired research results during a 10-year term, (2) establish a National Infrastructure Database, and (3) develop a National Hurricane Research Model.

Authorizes appropriations for FY2012 to carry out the Joint Polar Satellite System program.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 21, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 21, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1143)
- **Jun 21, 2011:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.