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Digital Coast Act

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Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]

Party: Democratic • **State:** WI • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jan 12, 2017
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Jan 12, 2017
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Jan 12, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Mar 30, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 4062	Identical bill	Oct 18, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The expanded summary of the Senate reported version is repeated here.)

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(Sec. 4) This bill requires the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to establish a constituent-driven Digital Coast program. (This program currently exists under NOAA to provide data, tools, and training that communities use to manage their coastal resources.) The program must: (1) provide an online resource that integrates geospatial data, decision-support tools, training, and best practices to address coastal management issues and needs, and to enhance resilient communities, ecosystem values, and coastal economic growth and development; and (2) provide for the documentation, dissemination, and archiving of the data.

NOAA must focus on filling data needs and gaps for critical coastal management issues and support continued improvement in existing efforts to coordinate the acquisition and integration of key data sets needed for coastal management, and other purposes. NOAA may: (1) enter into financial agreements and collect fees to carry out the program; (2) enter into contracts with private sector entities as may be necessary to collect, process, and provide remote sensing and other geospatial data and products.

Additionally, NOAA may establish publicly available tools that track ocean and Great Lakes economy data for each coastal state.

Actions Timeline

- **May 26, 2017:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **May 26, 2017:** Received in the House.
- **May 26, 2017:** Held at the desk.
- **May 25, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S3225-3226; text as passed Senate: CR S3225-3226)
- **May 25, 2017:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S3225-3226; text as passed Senate: CR S3225-3226)
- **Mar 30, 2017:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Thune without amendment. With written report No. 115-14.
- **Mar 30, 2017:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 25.
- **Jan 24, 2017:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.