

HR 3548

BLUE GLOBE Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Current Status: Committee Hearings Held.

Latest Action: Committee Hearings Held. (Nov 17, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]

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

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Jun 27, 2019
Resident Commissioner González-Colón, Jenniffer [R-PR-At Large]	R · PR		Jul 2, 2019
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Jul 11, 2019
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Jul 30, 2019
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Sep 10, 2019
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Sep 18, 2019
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Sep 16, 2020
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Sep 30, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 27, 2019
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Nov 17, 2020
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 27, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 933	Identical bill	Jul 22, 2020: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.

Bolstering Long-Term Understanding and Exploration of the Great Lakes, Oceans, Bays, and Estuaries Act or the BLUE GLOBE Act

This bill addresses data collection and monitoring of the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts.

Specifically, the bill

- increases domestic and international coordination to enhance data management and monitoring of the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts;
- creates the Interagency Ocean Exploration Committee to promote the exploration and improved understanding of the oceans;
- revises the Ocean Policy Committee to the Committee on Ocean Policy;
- establishes a technology innovation task force to combat illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing;
- requires the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to develop a workforce development program, including to support undergraduate and graduate education in fields related to the advancement of the monitoring, collection, synthesis, and analysis of data regarding the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts;
- requires NOAA to ensure that a goal of its cooperative institutes is to advance or apply emerging technologies;
- requires NOAA to establish opportunities to engage indigenous, subsistence, and fishing communities to better understand their needs;
- institutes an ocean innovation prize to catalyze the rapid development and deployment of data collection and monitoring technology;
- reauthorizes several NOAA programs, including the Ocean Exploration Program;
- directs relevant federal agencies to measure the value and impact of industries related to the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts on the U.S. economy; and
- requires the National Academy of Sciences to assess the potential for an Advanced Research Projects Agency-Oceans.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 17, 2020:** Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife Discharged.
- **Nov 17, 2020:** Committee Hearings Held.
- **Jul 12, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.
- **Jun 27, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 27, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Science, Space, and Technology, and Education and Labor, 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.