

HR 676

Coastal Communities Ocean Acidification Act of 2023

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]

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

Cosponsors (21 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Jan 31, 2023
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Jan 31, 2023
Rep. Golden, Jared F. [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Jan 31, 2023
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Jan 31, 2023
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Jan 31, 2023
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Jan 31, 2023
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Rep. Waltz, Michael [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Jan 31, 2023
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Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Feb 1, 2023
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Feb 1, 2023
Rep. Peltola, Mary Sattler [D-AK-At Large]	D · AK		Feb 6, 2023
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-4]	D · CA		Feb 6, 2023
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Feb 9, 2023
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Feb 27, 2023
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Mar 22, 2023
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Mar 27, 2023
Rep. Lee, Summer L. [D-PA-12]	D · PA		Mar 29, 2023
Rep. McClellan, Jennifer L. [D-VA-4]	D · VA		Mar 30, 2023
Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Apr 17, 2023
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-14]	D · FL		Apr 24, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 10, 2023
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Reported By	May 5, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 3785	Related bill	Feb 8, 2024: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
118 S 1808	Related bill	Jun 6, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Summary (as of May 9, 2023)

Coastal Communities Ocean Acidification Act of 2023

This bill requires the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the Ocean Acidification Advisory Board to collaborate with various entities affected by ocean acidification and coastal acidification (i.e., the decrease in pH and changes in water chemistry of certain bodies of water and waterways).

Specifically, NOAA's Ocean Acidification Program must collaborate with state, local, and tribal entities that are conducting or have completed community vulnerability assessments, research planning, or climate action plans related to ocean and coastal acidification and their impacts on coastal communities. The program must (1) support collaborative interagency relationships and information sharing involving state, local, and tribal entities; (2) assist these entities in improving their existing programs to better address ocean and coastal acidification; and (3) assist these entities in identifying whether other communities can use these activities as a model.

The bill also requires the Ocean Acidification Advisory Board to include two representatives from Indian tribes, tribal organizations, and tribal consortia that are affected by ocean and coastal acidification.

Actions Timeline

- **May 10, 2023:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **May 9, 2023:** Mr. Miller (OH) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **May 9, 2023:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2144-2147)
- **May 9, 2023:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 676.
- **May 9, 2023:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **May 9, 2023:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H2151-2152)
- **May 9, 2023:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 351 - 58 (Roll no. 203). (text: CR H2144-2145)
- **May 9, 2023:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 351 - 58 (Roll no. 203). (text: CR H2144-2145)
- **May 9, 2023:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 5, 2023:** Reported by the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H. Rept. 118-48.
- **May 5, 2023:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 32.
- **Mar 29, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 29, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 35 - 0.
- **Jan 31, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 31, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.