

113TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 5389

To amend the National Marine Sanctuaries Act to prescribe an additional requirement for the designation of marine sanctuaries off the coast of Alaska.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 31, 2014

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY TO DESIGNATE**  
4 **MARINE SANCTUARIES.**

5 Section 303 of the National Marine Sanctuaries Act  
6 (16 U.S.C. 1433) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “The Sec-  
8 retary may” and inserting “Subject to subsection  
9 (c), the Secretary may”; and

10 (2) by adding at the end the following:

1           “(c) LIMITATION.—The Secretary may not designate  
2 as a national marine sanctuary any area of the marine  
3 environment off the coast of Alaska seaward of the high  
4 tide line unless an Act of Congress—

5                   “(1) requires the Secretary to make such a des-  
6           ignation; and

7                   “(2) prescribes the boundaries of the area to be  
8           given such designation by the Secretary.”.

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