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To reauthorize the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, and for other purposes.

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Mr. NELSON (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. CARPER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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## A BILL

To reauthorize the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972,  
and for other purposes.

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. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS; REF-**  
4 **ERENCES.**

5 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the  
6 “Coastal Coordination Act of 2018”.

7 (b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents of  
8 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents; references.

TITLE I—COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT OF 1972  
AMENDMENTS

- Sec. 101. Congressional findings.
- Sec. 102. Definitions.
- Sec. 103. Coastal resource improvement program.
- Sec. 104. Coordination and cooperation.
- Sec. 105. Coastal zone enhancement grants.
- Sec. 106. National estuarine research reserve system.
- Sec. 107. Coastal zone management reports.
- Sec. 108. Technical and conforming amendments.
- Sec. 109. Authorization of appropriations.

TITLE II—AGENCY CONSULTATIONS REGARDING COASTAL ZONE  
IMPACTS

- Sec. 201. Agency consultations regarding coastal zone impacts.

1           (c) REFERENCES TO THE COASTAL ZONE MANAGE-  
2 MENT ACT OF 1972.—Except as otherwise expressly pro-  
3 vided, wherever in this Act an amendment or repeal is ex-  
4 pressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal of, a sec-  
5 tion or other provision, the reference shall be considered  
6 to be made to a section or other provision of the Coastal  
7 Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1451 et seq.).

8           **TITLE I—COASTAL ZONE MAN-**  
9           **AGEMENT ACT OF 1972**  
10           **AMENDMENTS**

11           **SEC. 101. CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS.**

12           Section 302 (16 U.S.C. 1451) is amended—

13                   (1) in the language preceding subsection (a), by  
14           striking “The Congress finds that—” and inserting  
15           “Congress makes the following findings:”;

16                   (2) by redesignating subsections (a) through  
17           (m) as paragraphs (1) through (13), respectively;

18                   (3) in paragraph (1), as redesignated, by strik-  
19           ing “in the effective management, beneficial use,

1 protection, and development of the coastal zone” and  
2 inserting “in the effective management, beneficial  
3 use, protection, development, and resilience of the  
4 coastal zone and coastal natural resources”;

5 (4) in paragraph (3), as redesignated, by strik-  
6 ing “industry, commerce, residential development,  
7 recreation, extraction of mineral resources and fossil  
8 fuels, transportation and navigation, waste disposal,  
9 and harvesting of fish, shellfish, and other living ma-  
10 rine resources” and inserting “industry, commerce,  
11 development, tourism, recreation, extraction of min-  
12 eral resources, energy development, transportation  
13 and navigation, waste disposal, and harvesting of  
14 fish, shellfish, and other living marine resources”;

15 (5) in paragraph (6), as redesignated, by strik-  
16 ing the semicolon at the end and inserting a period;

17 (6) in paragraphs (8) and (10), as redesign-  
18 ated, by striking “state” and inserting “State”;

19 (7) in paragraph (9), as redesignated, by strik-  
20 ing “states to” and all that follows through “vitaly  
21 affected interests” and inserting “States to exercise  
22 their full authority over the lands and waters in the  
23 coastal zone by assisting the States, in cooperation  
24 with Federal agencies and with the participation of

1 and coordination with local governments and other  
2 vitally affected interests”;

3 (8) in paragraph (13), as redesignated—

4 (A) by striking “by the active participation  
5 of coastal states in all Federal programs affect-  
6 ing such resources” and inserting “by the active  
7 participation and coordination in all Federal  
8 programs and activities affecting such re-  
9 sources”; and

10 (B) by striking “state ocean” and inserting  
11 “State ocean”; and

12 (9) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(14) Once a State ocean and coastal zone  
14 management plan has been approved by the Sec-  
15 retary of Commerce, Federal agencies should, to the  
16 maximum extent practicable, conduct activities, and  
17 authorize licenses or permits related to the coastal  
18 zone of that State in a manner consistent with that  
19 plan.”.

20 **SEC. 102. DEFINITIONS.**

21 Section 304 (16 U.S.C. 1453) is amended—

22 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (7), (8), (9),  
23 (10), (11), (12), (13), (14), (15), (16), (17), and  
24 (18) as paragraphs (8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (13),  
25 (14), (15), (16), (18), (19), and (20) respectively;

1           (2) by striking “(6a) The” and inserting “(7)  
2     The”;

3           (3) in paragraph (2), by striking “if any such  
4     area is determined by a coastal state to be of sub-  
5     stantial biological or natural storm protective value”  
6     and inserting “if any such area is determined by a  
7     coastal state, alone or in combination with other  
8     such areas, to be of substantial biological, research,  
9     geological, hydrological, natural, ecological, storm  
10    protective, water quality, or flood risk protective  
11    value”;

12           (4) in paragraph (4), by inserting “the District  
13    of Columbia,” after “the term also includes”;

14           (5) in paragraph (5)—

15           (A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by  
16    striking “any coastal state;” and inserting “any  
17    State;”;

18           (B) by inserting after clause (iii) the fol-  
19    lowing:

20           “ (iv) Any production, transportation,  
21    transfer, or storage of renewable energy.”;

22           and

23           (C) in the matter following clause (iv), (as  
24    added by subparagraph (B)), by striking “any  
25    coastal state” and inserting “any State”;

1           (6) by amending paragraph (6) to read as fol-  
2           lows:

3           “(6) The term ‘energy facilities’—

4           “(A) means any equipment or facility  
5           which is or will be used primarily—

6           “(i) in the exploration for, or the de-  
7           velopment, production, conversion, storage,  
8           transfer, processing, or transportation of,  
9           any energy or renewable energy resource;  
10          or

11          “(ii) for the manufacture, production,  
12          or assembly of equipment, machinery,  
13          products, or devices which are involved in  
14          any activity described in clause (i); and

15          “(B) includes—

16          “(i) electric generating plants;

17          “(ii) petroleum refineries and associ-  
18          ated facilities;

19          “(iii) gasification plants;

20          “(iv) facilities used for the transpor-  
21          tation, conversion, treatment, transfer, or  
22          storage of liquefied natural gas;

23          “(v) uranium enrichment or nuclear  
24          fuel processing facilities;

1           “(vi) oil and gas facilities, including  
2           platforms, assembly plants, storage depots,  
3           tank farms, crew and supply bases, and re-  
4           fining complexes;

5           “(vii) facilities including deepwater  
6           ports, for the transfer of petroleum;

7           “(viii) facilities for the production,  
8           transportation, transfer, or storage of re-  
9           newable energy;

10           “(ix) pipelines and transmission facili-  
11           ties; and

12           “(x) terminals which are associated  
13           with any of the foregoing.”;

14           (7) in paragraph (7), as redesignated, by strik-  
15           ing “land and water uses” and inserting “land uses  
16           and water uses”;

17           (8) in paragraph (8), as redesignated, by strik-  
18           ing “from land drainage” and inserting “from land  
19           drainage, or where there is tidal influence without  
20           regard to salinity”;

21           (9) in paragraph (12), as redesignated, by  
22           striking “state’s” and inserting “State’s”;

23           (10) in paragraphs (13), (15), and (16), as re-  
24           designated, by striking “state” each place it appears  
25           and inserting “State”;

1           (11) by inserting after paragraph (16), as re-  
2 designated, the following:

3           “(17) The term “renewable energy” means any  
4 energy that has recently originated from the sun, in-  
5 cluding direct and indirect solar radiation and inter-  
6 mediate solar energy forms, such as wind, ocean  
7 thermal gradients, ocean currents and waves, hydro-  
8 power, photovoltaic energy, products of photosyn-  
9 thetic processes, organic wastes, and others.”; and

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

11           “(21) The term ‘working waterfront’ means wa-  
12 terfront lands, waterfront infrastructure, and water-  
13 ways that are used for a water-dependent commer-  
14 cial activity.”.

15 **SEC. 103. COASTAL RESOURCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.**

16           Section 306A (16 U.S.C. 1455a) is amended—

17           (1) in subsection (b)—

18                   (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
19           by striking “state in” and inserting “State in”;

20                   (B) in paragraph (1)—

21                           (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
22                           graph (A), by striking “the state” and in-  
23                           serting “the State”; and

24                           (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
25                           “clutch” and inserting “cultch”;



1 (C) in paragraph (2), by striking “state’s”  
2 and inserting “State’s”; and

3 (D) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(5) The preservation or redevelopment of  
5 working waterfronts in the coastal zone.”;

6 (2) in subsection (d)(1)—

7 (A) by striking “the state” and inserting  
8 “the State”; and

9 (B) by striking “to state” and inserting  
10 “to State”; and

11 (3) in subsection (e)—

12 (A) by striking “that state” and inserting  
13 “that State”; and

14 (B) by striking “the state’s” and inserting  
15 “the State’s”.

16 **SEC. 104. COORDINATION AND COOPERATION.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 307 (16 U.S.C. 1456) is  
18 amended—

19 (1) in subsections (b) and (d), by striking  
20 “state” and inserting “State”;

21 (2) in subsection (c)—

22 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “a state”  
23 and inserting “a State”; and

24 (B) in paragraph (3)—

1 (i) by striking “state’s” each place it  
2 appears and inserting “State’s”;

3 (ii) by striking “the state” each place  
4 it appears and inserting “the State”;

5 (iii) by striking “such state” each  
6 place it appears and inserting “such  
7 State”;

8 (iv) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
9 “that state” and inserting “that State”;

10 (v) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by strik-  
11 ing “federal” and inserting “Federal”; and

12 (vi) in the matter following subpara-  
13 graph (B)(iii), by striking “a state” and  
14 inserting “a State”;

15 (3) in subsection (e)(1)—

16 (A) by striking “or state” and inserting  
17 “or State”; and

18 (B) by striking “more states” each place it  
19 appears and inserting “more States”;

20 (4) in subsection (f), by striking “any state”  
21 and inserting “any State”;

22 (5) in subsection (g), by striking “any state’s”  
23 and inserting “any State’s”; and

24 (6) by amending subsection (h), to read as fol-  
25 lows:

1 “(h) MEDIATION OF DISAGREEMENTS.—

2 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may mediate  
3 a serious disagreement between any Federal agency  
4 and a coastal State or between two or more willing  
5 coastal States—

6 “(A) in the development or the initial im-  
7 plementation of a management program under  
8 section 305;

9 “(B) in the administration of a manage-  
10 ment program approved under section 305; or

11 “(C) in coordination and cooperation under  
12 this section.

13 “(2) COOPERATION.—The Secretary, with the  
14 cooperation of the Executive Office of the President,  
15 shall seek to mediate the differences involved in a  
16 disagreement described in paragraph (1).

17 “(3) PUBLIC HEARINGS.—Mediation under this  
18 subsection shall, with respect to any disagreement  
19 described in paragraph (1)(B), include public hear-  
20 ings in the local area concerned.”; and

21 (7) by adding at the end the following:

22 “(j) INTERSTATE AND REGIONAL COORDINATION.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The coastal States are en-  
24 couraged—

1           “(A) to coordinate State coastal zone plan-  
2           ning, policies, and programs with respect to  
3           contiguous areas, shared resources, and inter-  
4           state waters of such States;

5           “(B) to study, plan, and implement unified  
6           coastal zone policies with respect to such areas;  
7           and

8           “(C) to establish an effective mechanism,  
9           and participate in mediation under subsection  
10          (h), to identify, examine, and cooperatively re-  
11          solve mutual problems with respect to the ma-  
12          rine and coastal areas which affect, directly or  
13          indirectly, the coastal zone.

14          “(2) AGREEMENTS OR COMPACTS.—Subject to  
15          paragraph (3), the coastal zone activities described  
16          in this subsection may be conducted pursuant to  
17          interstate or regional agreements or compacts.

18          “(3) PERMISSIBLE AGREEMENTS OR COM-  
19          PACTS.—Two or more coastal States may negotiate  
20          and enter into any interstate or regional agreement  
21          or compact to do the following unless the agreement  
22          or compact conflicts with any law or treaty of the  
23          United States:

1           “(A) To develop and administer coordi-  
2           nated coastal zone planning, policies, programs,  
3           and dispute resolution.

4           “(B) To establish executive instrumental-  
5           ities or agencies that such States consider nec-  
6           essary for the effective implementation of an  
7           agreement or compact under this subsection.

8           “(4) BINDING EFFECT.—An agreement or com-  
9           pact under paragraph (3) shall be binding and oblig-  
10          atory upon any State or party thereto without fur-  
11          ther approval by Congress.”.

12          (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
13          tion, or the amendments made by this section, may be con-  
14          strued to affect any mediation that was commenced before  
15          the date of enactment of this Act.

16          **SEC. 105. COASTAL ZONE ENHANCEMENT GRANTS.**

17          (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 309(a) (16 U.S.C.  
18          1456b(a)) is amended—

19                  (1) by amending paragraph (1) to read as fol-  
20          lows:

21                  “(1) Protection, restoration, or enhancement of  
22          existing coastal wetlands, seagrass beds, coral reefs,  
23          oyster habitat, and marine habitat, or creation of  
24          new coastal wetlands.”;

1           (2) by amending paragraph (2) to read as fol-  
2           lows:

3           “(2) Increasing coastal resilience and pre-  
4           venting or reducing loss of life and property by lim-  
5           iting development and redevelopment in high-hazard  
6           areas, using natural and restoration approaches to  
7           reduce flood risk, or anticipating and managing the  
8           effects of potential sea level rise and Great Lakes  
9           level change.”;

10          (3) by amending paragraph (7) to read as fol-  
11          lows:

12          “(7) Planning for the use of ocean and Great  
13          Lakes resources.”; and

14          (4) by adding at the end the following:

15          “(10) Interstate water resource and coastal  
16          management planning to facilitate healthy and resil-  
17          ient coastal natural resources, land uses, and water  
18          uses, and to resolve water management conflict.

19          “(11) Identification and adoption of procedures  
20          and enforceable policies to ensure sufficient response  
21          capabilities at the State level to address the environ-  
22          mental, economic, and social impacts of oil spills or  
23          other accidents resulting from Outer Continental  
24          Shelf energy activities with the potential to affect

1 land or water use or natural resources of the coastal  
2 zone.

3 “(12) The development of a coordinated process  
4 to maximize the efficiency of processing permits re-  
5 lated to activities in the coastal zone.”.

6 (b) EVALUATION OF STATE PROPOSALS BY SEC-  
7 RETARY.—Section 309(c) (16 U.S.C. 1456b(c)) is amend-  
8 ed by striking “and the overall merit of each proposal in  
9 terms of benefits to the public” and inserting “and are  
10 consistent with the rules and regulations promulgated  
11 under section 306”.

12 (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
13 tion, or the amendments made by this section, may be con-  
14 strued to affect any grant made or funding awarded under  
15 section 309 of the Coast Zone Management Act of 1972  
16 (16 U.S.C. 1456b) before the date of enactment of this  
17 Act.

18 **SEC. 106. NATIONAL ESTUARINE RESEARCH RESERVE SYS-**  
19 **TEM.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 315 (16 U.S.C. 1461) is  
21 amended—

22 (1) in subsection (a)—

23 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and  
24 (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively,  
25 and indenting appropriately;

1 (B) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
2 (A), as redesignated, by inserting “(2) IN GEN-  
3 ERAL.—” before “There is” and indenting ap-  
4 propriately;

5 (C) in the matter following subparagraph  
6 (B), as redesignated, by inserting “(2) NA-  
7 TIONAL ESTUARINE RESERVES.—”;

8 (D) in paragraph (1), as redesignated, by  
9 striking “consists of—” and inserting “is a net-  
10 work of areas designated to promote informed  
11 management of the Nation’s estuarine and  
12 coastal areas through interconnected programs  
13 in resource stewardship, education and training,  
14 monitoring, research, and scientific under-  
15 standing consisting of—”; and

16 (E) in paragraph (2), as redesignated, by  
17 striking “paragraph (1)” and inserting “para-  
18 graph (1)(A)”;

19 (2) by amending subsection (b)(2)(C) to read as  
20 follows:

21 “(C) designation of the area as a reserve  
22 will serve to enhance State coastal manage-  
23 ment, public awareness, and understanding of  
24 estuarine areas, and provide suitable opportuni-



1           ties for education, interpretation, training, and  
2           demonstration projects; and”;

3           (3) by redesignating subsections (c) through (g)  
4           as subsections (d) through (h), respectively;

5           (4) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
6           lowing:

7           “(c) EXPANSION OF NATIONAL ESTUARINE RE-  
8           SERVES.—

9           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),  
10          the Secretary shall periodically evaluate whether to  
11          expand the estuarine area of each national estuarine  
12          reserve.

13          “(2) CONSIDERATIONS.—In evaluating whether  
14          to expand the area described in paragraph (1), the  
15          Secretary shall consider—

16                 “(A) the recommendations of—

17                         “(i) prominent members of the estua-  
18                         rine research community;

19                         “(ii) the Governor of the coast State  
20                         in which the area is located;

21                         “(iii) the System; and

22                         “(iv) the head of each relevant Fed-  
23                         eral agency;

24                 “(B) any changing environmental condi-  
25                 tions, including increased pressure on the re-

1 sources to be researched and potential adapta-  
2 tion benefits of the expansion; and

3 “(C) the impact to that national estuarine  
4 reserve and the System.”;

5 (5) in subsection (f), as redesignated—

6 (A) in paragraph (1)(A)—

7 (i) in clause (i), by striking “reserve”  
8 and inserting “reserve; and”;

9 (ii) in clause (ii), by striking “and  
10 constructing appropriate reserve facilities,  
11 or” and inserting “, including for resource  
12 stewardship activities and for constructing  
13 reserve facilities”; and

14 (iii) by striking clause (iii);

15 (B) by amending paragraph (1)(B) to read  
16 as follows:

17 “(B) to any coastal State or public or pri-  
18 vate person—

19 “(i) for purposes of supporting re-  
20 search and monitoring association with a  
21 national estuarine reserve that are con-  
22 sistent with the research guidelines devel-  
23 oped under subsection (d); or

24 “(ii) for purposes of conducting edu-  
25 cational, interpretive, or training activities

1 for a national estuarine reserve that are  
2 consistent with the research guidelines de-  
3 veloped under subsection (d).”; and

4 (C) by adding at the end the following:

5 “(4)(A) The Secretary may—

6 “(i) enter into cooperative agree-  
7 ments, financial agreements, grants, con-  
8 tracts, or other agreements with any non-  
9 profit organization, authorizing the non-  
10 profit organization to solicit donations to  
11 carry out the purposes and policies of this  
12 section, except for general administration  
13 of reserves or the System, and which are  
14 consistent with the purposes and policies of  
15 this section; and

16 “(ii) accept donations of funds and  
17 services for use in carrying out the pur-  
18 poses and policies of this section, except  
19 for general administration of reserves or  
20 the System, and which are consistent with  
21 the purposes and policies of this section.

22 “(B) Donations accepted under this para-  
23 graph shall be considered as a gift or bequest  
24 to or for the use of the United States for the  
25 purpose of carrying out this section”; and

1           (6) by amending subsection (g), as redesignig-  
2 nated, to read as follows:

3           “(g) EVALUATION OF SYSTEM PERFORMANCE.—

4           “(1) The Secretary shall periodically evaluate  
5 the operation and management of the National Es-  
6 tuarine Research Reserve System and each national  
7 estuarine reserve, including coordination with other  
8 State programs, education and interpretive activities,  
9 and the research being conducted within the reserve.

10           “(2) If an evaluation under paragraph (1) re-  
11 veals that the operation, management, education, or  
12 research conducted by the System as a whole is defi-  
13 cient, the Secretary shall provide the System with  
14 recommendations to improve the deficiencies.

15           “(3) If an evaluation under paragraph (1) re-  
16 veals that the operation and management of a re-  
17 serve is deficient, or that the research being con-  
18 ducted within the reserve is not consistent with the  
19 research guidelines developed under subsection (d),  
20 the Secretary may suspend the eligibility of that re-  
21 serve for financial assistance under subsection (f)  
22 until the deficiency or inconsistency is remedied.

23           “(4) The Secretary may withdraw the designa-  
24 tion of an estuarine area as a national estuarine re-

1       serve if an evaluation under paragraph (1) reveals  
2       that—

3               “(A) the basis for any one or more of the  
4               findings under subsection (b)(2) regarding that  
5               area no longer exists; or

6               “(B) a substantial portion of the research  
7               conducted within the area, over a period of  
8               years, has not been consistent with the research  
9               guidelines developed under subsection (d).”.

10       (b) **TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**—  
11       Section 315 (16 U.S.C. 1461), as amended, is further  
12       amended—

13               (1) in subsection (d)(5), as redesignated, by  
14               striking “subsection (d)” and inserting “subsection  
15               (e)”; and

16               (2) in subsection (h), as redesignated, by strik-  
17               ing “subsection (f)” and inserting “subsection (g)”.

18       (c) **RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**—Nothing in this sec-  
19       tion, or the amendments made by this section, may be con-  
20       strued to affect any grant made or financial assistance  
21       provided under section 315 of the Coast Zone Manage-  
22       ment Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1461) before the date of  
23       enactment of this Act.

24       **SEC. 107. COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT REPORTS.**

25       Section 316 (16 U.S.C. 1462) is amended—

1           (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-  
2 lows:

3           “(a) REPORTS.—

4               “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall—

5                   “(A) consult with Congress on a regular  
6 basis concerning the administration of this title;  
7 and

8                   “(B) submit to Congress a report summa-  
9 rizing the administration of this title during  
10 each period of 5 consecutive fiscal years.

11           “(2) CONTENTS.—Each report under para-  
12 graph (1) shall include—

13                   “(A) an identification of the State pro-  
14 grams approved under this title during the pre-  
15 ceeding 4 Federal fiscal years and a description  
16 of those programs;

17                   “(B) a list of the States participating in  
18 the provisions of this title and the status of  
19 each State’s programs and accomplishments  
20 during the preceding 4 Federal fiscal years;

21                   “(C) an itemization of the allocation of  
22 funds to the various coastal States and a break-  
23 down of the major projects and areas on which  
24 these funds were expended;

1           “(D) an identification of each State pro-  
2 gram that was reviewed and disapproved, in-  
3 cluding the reasons for the disapproval;

4           “(E) a summary of evaluation findings  
5 prepared in accordance with subsection (a) of  
6 section 312, and a description of any sanctions  
7 imposed under subsections (c) and (d) of that  
8 section;

9           “(F) a list of all activities and projects  
10 which, under the provisions of subsection (c) or  
11 subsection (d) of section 307, are not consistent  
12 with an applicable approved State management  
13 program;

14           “(G) a summary of the regulations issued  
15 by the Secretary or in effect during the pre-  
16 ceding 4 Federal fiscal years;

17           “(H) a summary of a coordinated national  
18 strategy and program for the Nation’s coastal  
19 zone, including identification and discussion of  
20 Federal, regional, State, and local responsibil-  
21 ities and functions therein;

22           “(I) a summary of outstanding problems  
23 arising in the administration of this title in  
24 order of priority;

1           “(J) a description of the economic, envi-  
2           ronmental, and social consequences of energy  
3           activity affecting the coastal zone and an eval-  
4           uation of the effectiveness of financial assist-  
5           ance under section 308 in dealing with such  
6           consequences;

7           “(K) a description and evaluation of appli-  
8           cable interstate and regional planning and co-  
9           ordination mechanisms developed by the coastal  
10          states;

11          “(L) a summary and evaluation of the re-  
12          search, studies, and training conducted in sup-  
13          port of coastal zone management; and

14          “(M) such other information as may be ap-  
15          propriate.”; and

16          (2) in subsection (b), by striking “deems” and  
17          inserting “considers”.

18 **SEC. 108. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

19          (a) CONGRESSIONAL DECLARATION OF POLICY.—  
20          Section 303 (16 U.S.C. 1452) is amended—

21                  (1) in paragraph (2)—

22                          (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
23                          (A), by striking “states” and inserting  
24                          “States”; and



1 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the  
2 period at the end and inserting a comma; and  
3 (2) in paragraph (4), by striking “state” and  
4 inserting “State”.

5 (b) ADMINISTRATIVE GRANTS.—Section  
6 306(d)(10)(A) (16 U.S.C. 1455(d)(10)(A)) is amended by  
7 inserting a comma after “development”.

8 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF THE COASTAL AND ESTUA-  
9 RINE LAND CONSERVATION PROGRAM.—Section 307A  
10 (16 U.S.C. 1456–1) is amended—

11 (1) in subsection (f)(4)(A)(i), by striking “sec-  
12 tion 2(b)” and inserting “subsection (b)”; and

13 (2) in subsection (f)(4)(C), by striking “in (A)”  
14 and inserting “in subparagraph (A)”.

15 (d) REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE.—Section 312 (16  
16 U.S.C. 1458) is amended in subsections (a) and (e), by  
17 striking “the state” and inserting “the State”.

18 (e) RULES AND REGULATIONS.—Section 317 (16  
19 U.S.C. 1463) is amended by striking “state agencies” and  
20 inserting “State agencies”.

21 **SEC. 109. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

22 Section 318(a) (16 U.S.C. 1464(a)) is amended to  
23 read as follows:

1       “(a) SUMS APPROPRIATED TO SECRETARY.—There  
2 is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary, to re-  
3 main available until expended—

4               “(1) for grants under sections 306, 306A, and  
5 309, \$80,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2018  
6 through 2022; and

7               “(2) for grants under section 315, \$25,000,000  
8 for each of fiscal years 2018 through 2022.”.

9       **TITLE II—AGENCY CONSULTA-**  
10       **TIONS REGARDING COASTAL**  
11       **ZONE IMPACTS**

12       **SEC. 201. AGENCY CONSULTATIONS REGARDING COASTAL**  
13       **ZONE IMPACTS.**

14       The Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (16 U.S.C.  
15 661 et seq.) is amended—

16               (1) in section 2(a) (16 U.S.C. 662(a))—

17                       (A) by striking “Interior, and with the”  
18 and inserting “Interior, National Oceanic and  
19 Atmospheric Administration, Department of  
20 Commerce, the”; and

21                       (B) by inserting “and the head of any po-  
22 tentially impacted coastal State (as defined in  
23 section 304 of the Coastal Zone Management  
24 Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1453),” before “with a  
25 view”; and

1           (2) in section 8 (16 U.S.C. 666b), by adding  
2           “and fisheries (as those terms are defined in section  
3           3 of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation  
4           and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1802))” after  
5           “fishes”.

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