

Amendment #4 Revised

Amendment to Westerman ANS to H.R. 9621
Offered by Rep. Hoyle

At the end of the bill, insert:

SEC. 3. OREGON COAST MANAGEMENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 120 of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1389) is amended by adding at the end,

“(1) STUDY AND REPORT.—

“(1) STUDY.— The Secretary, acting through the Assistant Administrator of the National Marine Fisheries Service, in consultation with the eligible entities, including tribes, and heads of Federal agencies the Secretary determines appropriate, shall carry out a study regarding the impacts of sea lion predation on populations of fish species listed as threatened or endangered under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) in rivers and streams excluding marine waters and estuaries in the State of Oregon that flow into the marine waters of the State.

“(2) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary, acting through the Assistant Administrator of the National Marine Fisheries Service, in consultation with the federally recognized Indian Tribes on the Oregon Coast and heads of Federal agencies the Secretary determines appropriate, shall submit to Congress a report regarding the results of the study carried out under paragraph (1).”.

(3) OREGON COAST COMMITTEE.—

(A) In general.—Following the submission of the report to Congress required by subsection (1)(2), the Secretary shall recognize a committee to make recommendations to the Secretary of Commerce on appropriate lethal removal measures of pinnipeds along the coast of Oregon..

(B) Membership.—A committee established under this paragraph shall consist of two members representing the State of Oregon and one federally recognized Indian tribe located on the Oregon coast.