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<b>HOUSE BILLS</b>				
<a href="#">HR 99</a>	LIST Act of 2023	Rep Biggs (R-AZ)	2/21/23- Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries	<i>Amend ESA to provide for improved precision in the listing, delisting, and downlisting of endangered species</i>
<a href="#">HR 518</a>	Endangered Species Transparency and Reasonableness Act of 2023	Rep McClintock (R-CA)	2/21/23-Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries	<i>Requires publication on the internet of the basis for determinations that species are endangered</i>
<a href="#">HR 520</a>	Amend ESA of 1973	Rep McClintock (R-CA)	10/25/23- Subcommittee Hearings Held	<i>Amend ESA to provide that artificially propagated animals shall be treated the same under that Act as naturally propagated animals</i>
<a href="#">HR 614</a>	Commercial Fishing and Seafood Business Act of 2023	Rep Wittman (R-VA)	1/27/23-Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary	<i>Includes exemption from numerical limitations on H-2B visa workers on a commercial fishing vessel or fish processors</i>
<a href="#">HR 676</a>	Coastal Communities Ocean Acidification Act of 2023	Rep Pingree (D-ME)	5/10/23-Passed House; Received in the Senate and read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation	<i>Amends Federal Ocean Acidification Research and Monitoring Act of 2009 to require NOAA to collaborate with State and local govts on vulnerability assessments related to ocean acidification, research planning, etc.</i>

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<a href="#">HR 872</a>	FISH Act	Rep Calvert (R-CA)	2/21/23- Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries	<i>Amend ESA to include anadromous species responsibility to Secretary of Interior</i>
<a href="#">HR 886</a>	<b>Save Our Seas 2.0 Amendments Act</b>	<b>Rep Bonamici (D-OR)</b>	<b>3/12/24-Passed House and received in the Senate. Read twice and placed on Senate Legislative Calender under General Orders</b>	<b><i>Amends Marine Debris Act</i></b>
<a href="#">HR 1142</a>	Amend ESA	Rep Flugger (R-TX)	3/22/23-Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries	<i>Amends ESA to require economic impacts in listing decisions</i>
<a href="#">HR 1196</a>	To require NOAA Administrator to establish a grant program	Rep Plaskett (D-VI)	3/22/23- Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries	<i>Creates a coastal habitat grant program</i>
<a href="#">HR 1335</a>	TAPP Act	Rep Westerman (R-AR)	3/23/23-Placed on the Union Calendar	<i>Includes offshore oil/gas, offshore wind, and NEPA</i>
<a href="#">HR 1461</a>	Coastal Seaweed Farm Act of 2023	Rep Huffman (D-CA)	4/14/23-Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries	<i>Directs NOAA to study coastal seaweed farming and establish an indigenous seaweed farming fund</i>
<a href="#">HR 1792</a>	<b>South Pacific Tuna Treaty Act of 2023</b>	<b>Rep Radewagen (R-AS)</b>	<b>4/10/24-Passed House. Received in Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation</b>	<b><i>Amends SPTA</i></b>
<a href="#">HR 2950</a>	<b>Coastal Habitat Conservation Act of 2023</b>	<b>Rep Huffman (D-CA)</b>	<b>01/17/24-Ordered to be reported (amended) by unanimous consent</b>	<b><i>Authorizes interior through USFWS Coastal Program, to work with partner to support and enhance coastal landscapes (See S1381)</i></b>
<a href="#">HR 3980</a>	NOAA Act of 2023	Rep Lucas (R-OK)	06/9/23-Referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology and	<i>NOAA Reauthorization Bill</i>

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			Committee on Natural Resources	
<a href="#">HR 4013</a>	AQUAA Act	Rep Cammack (R-FL)	7/28/23-Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry	<i>Establishes an offshore aquaculture regulatory system; Councils are stakeholders under this proposal</i>
<a href="#">HR 4051</a>	<b>Supporting the Health of Aquatic Systems through Research Knowledge and Enhanced Dialogue (SHARKED) Act</b>	<b>Rep Wittman (R-VA)</b>	<b>2/6/24-Passed House; Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation</b>	<b><i>Directs Secretary of commerce to establish a task force regarding shark depredation</i></b>
<a href="#">HR 4537</a>	American Seabed Protection Act	Rep Case (D-HI)	7/11/23-Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources	<i>Prohibits mining activities on the deep seabed</i>
<a href="#">HR 4538</a>	BLUE Pacific Act	Rep Case (D-HI)	7/11/23-Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Natural Resources, and Ways and Means	<i>Establishes long-term US strategy and policy for the Pacific Islands</i>
<a href="#">HR 5001</a>	Special Advisors for the Insular Areas Act	Rep Grijalva (D-AZ)	7/27/23-Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources	<i>Establishes a position of Special Advisor for the Insular Areas in each executive department</i>
<a href="#">HR 5009</a>	<b>WILD Act</b>	<b>Rep Joyce (R-OH)</b>	<b>2/6/24-Passed House. Received in the Senate and read twice and placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders</b>	<b><i>A bill to reauthorize wildlife habitat and conservation programs; includes Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004 appropriations</i></b>
<a href="#">HR 5944</a>	Science-based Equitable Aquaculture Food (SEAfood) Act	Rep Mace (R-SC)	10/25/23-Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Committee on Education and the Workforce	<i>Requires NOAA to establish an assessment program for offshore aquaculture and establish aquaculture centers of excellence</i>
<a href="#">HR 6062</a>	<b>To restore the ability of American Samoa to approve amendments to the territorial</b>	<b>Rep Radewagen (R-AS)</b>	<b>7/9/24-Passed House. Received in the Senate and read twice and referred to</b>	<b><i>Repeals statute that prevents people of AS from approving amendments or modifications to the constitution of</i></b>

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	constitution...		<b>the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources</b>	<i>that territory (removes need for an act of congress)</i>
<a href="#">HR 8508</a>	Bycatch Reduction and Mitigation Act of 2024	Rep Peltola (D-AK)	5/22/24-Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources	<i>Amends MSA to reauthorize the BREP and Bycatch Mitigation Fund</i>
<a href="#">HR 8786</a>	<b>To allow certain foreign air carriers to stop in Guam or the Northern Mariana Islands...</b>	<b>Rep Moylan (D-GU)</b>	<b>6/18/24-Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure</b>	<i>Allows for Guam and CNMI to allow foreign air carriers for passengers or cargo in either direction</i>
<a href="#">HR 8788</a>	Fisheries Improvement and Seafood Health (FISH) Act	Rep Peltola (D-AK)	6/18/24-Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and Committee on Ways and Means	<i>Amends MSA to create a fisheries and ecological resilience program and mandate a study on US seafood competitiveness</i>
<a href="#">HR 8862</a>	Sustaining America's Fisheries for the Future Act of 2024	Rep Huffman (D-CA)	6/27/22-Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Committee on Agriculture	<i>Reauthorizes MSA and makes amendments</i>
<b>SENATE BILLS</b>				
<a href="#">S 101</a>	Fishing Equipment Tax Relief Act of 2023	Sen Rubio (R-FL)	1/26/23-Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance	<i>Reduces excise tax rate that applies to aerated bait containers</i>
<a href="#">S 318</a>	<b>Save Our Seas 2.0 Amendments Act</b>	<b>Sen Sullivan (R-Alaska)</b>	<b>12/15/23-Passed Senate, held at the desk</b>	<i>Improves administration of Marine Debris/amend Marine Debris Act</i>
<a href="#">S 1227</a>	FISH Act of 2023	Sen Sullivan (R-AK)	4/20/23-Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation	<i>Combats IUU and unregulated fishing at its sources globally</i>
<a href="#">S 1381</a>	Coastal Habitat Conservation Act of 2023	Sen Cardin (D-MD)	12/11/23-Written report filed from Committee on Environment and Public Works	<i>Authorizes interior through USFWS Coastal Program, to work with partner to support and enhance coastal landscapes (See HR2950)</i>
<a href="#">S 1421</a>	Country of Origin Labeling Online Act (COOL Online Act)	Sen Baldwin (D-WI)	12/13/23-Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under	<i>Requires origin and location disclosure for new products of foreign</i>

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			General Orders	<i>origin offered for sale on the internet</i>
<a href="#">S 1861</a>	AQUAA Act	Sen Wicker (R-MS)	6/7/23-Read twice and referred to Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation	<i>Establishes an offshore aquaculture regulatory system; Councils are stakeholders under this proposal</i>
<a href="#">S 2086</a>	Sea Turtle Rescue Assistance Act of 2023	Sen Markey (D-MA)	6/21/23-Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation	<i>Establishes a Sea Turtle Rescue Assistance Grant Program</i>
<a href="#">S 2208</a>	National Seafood Supply Act	Sen Sullivan (R-AK)	6/22/23-Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry	<i>Includes commercial fishing in the definition of farming for USDA loans; expands COOL to include crab and canned salmon; USDA to conduct a study to identify barriers to local and regional food production (including AK and HI)</i>
<a href="#">S 2395</a>	Wildlife Innovation and Longevity Driver Reauthorization (WILD) Act	Sen Carper (D-DE)	12/11/23-Report filed by Senator Carper from Committee on Environment and Public Works	<i>Reauthorize wildlife habitat and conservation programs</i>
<a href="#">S3389</a>	FISH Wellness Act	Sen Markey (D-MA)	12/04/23-Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation	<i>To authorize safety and prevention training programs for fishing vessel operators and crewmembers and for other purposes (</i>
<a href="#">S3417</a>	Ban C-FOOD Act	Sen Cotton (R-AR)	12/06/2023-Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance	<i>To prohibit the importation of seafood and aquaculture products from the People's Republic of China</i>
<a href="#">S 3672</a>	Supporting Healthy Interstate Fisheries in Transition (SHIFT) Act	Rep Blumenthal (D-CT)	1/25/24-Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation	<i>Amends MSA on stocks that move and are shared, new fishery and authorized fisheries</i>

PREVIOUS BILLS PASSED IN 117<sup>th</sup> CONGRESS

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<a href="#"><u>HR 5376</u></a>	Inflation Reduction Act of 2022	Rep Yarmuth (D-KY)	8/16/22-signed by the President	<i>Provides funding for insular areas and coastal areas</i>
<a href="#"><u>HR 4521</u></a>	America COMPETES Act	Rep Johnson (D-TX)	Passed House; Passed Senate; 5/05/22-Message on Senate action sent to the House (resolving differences)	<i>Includes shark fin elimination act (HR2811); also includes IUU and forced labor prevention aspects</i>
<a href="#"><u>HR 7776</u></a>	National Defense Authorization Act	Rep Defazio (D-OR)	12/23/22-Became public law No: 117-263	<i>Reauthorizes coral reef conservation act; establishes regional ocean partnerships</i>
<b>SENATE BILLS</b>				
<a href="#"><u>S 497</u></a>	American Fisheries Advisory committee	Sen Sullivan (R-AK)	5/12/22-Became Public Law No. 117-121	<i>Creates advisory committee to assist in the awarding of fisheries research and development grants</i>