

HABITAT COMMITTEE REPORT ON
MAGNUSON-STEVENSON ACT REAUTHORIZATION IMPLEMENTATION

The Habitat Committee heard a briefing from Council staff regarding the reauthorization of the Magnuson-Stevens Act (MSA). In regard to setting annual catch limits and accountability measures, as discussed in Agenda Item C.2.b. Attachment 2 (MSRA, Section 103(c)(3)(g)(B)), the Council not only needs to set appropriate fishing regulations for overfished stocks and to prevent overfishing, but also should identify non-fishing causes of “overfished” status (such as hydropower, climatic changes, etc.).

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