

STAFF SUMMARY OF FEDERAL LEGISLATION IN THE 114TH U.S. CONGRESS

A summary of recent Federal legislation is attached. This summary is intended as a general overview for discussion purposes. Full text of these bills, with background information and current status, can be found at the Library of Congress website (<http://thomas.gov>) or at <http://govtrack.us>. See the attached report for a summary of other bills in the current Congress.

Progress of Bills Discussed in April

California SB 1114: (To Phase Out Drift Gillnets)

SB 1114, which would have phased out the California drift gillnet fishery, died in committee on May 31. The Council wrote a letter on this bill on April 26 (Agenda Item F.1, Attachment 5).

S 1335: North Pacific Fisheries Convention Implementation Act

- **S 1335 introduced by** Dan Sullivan (R-AK) on May 20, 2015.
- **Status:** S 1335 passed the Senate on May 17, 2016.
- **GovTrack chance of passage:** 34%

S 1335 is the Senate version of a bill that would implement the North Pacific Fisheries Convention, or the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fisheries Resources in the North Pacific Ocean. S 1335 would provide for three regional fishery management Council seats on the North Pacific Fisheries Commission, including the chair of the Pacific Council, North Pacific Council, and Western Pacific Council, or their designees. The South Pacific Convention Implementation Act (S 1336) was reported by committee last year and the two bills are expected to be bundled together by the Senate.

The Council was asked by House Natural Resources Committee staff to comment on HR 4576: Ensuring Access to Pacific Fisheries Act. A comment letter has been drafted for LC approval (Agenda Item F.1, Attachment 2). The bill may be subject to a mark-up in June; see Agenda Item F.1, Attachment 7.

S 1143: West Coast Dungeness Crab Management Act

- **Introduced by** Maria Cantwell (D-WA) on April 30, 2015.
- **Status:** Companion bill HR 2168 passed the House on 10/6/2015; S 1143 was favorably reported by committee on 11/18/2015 and again on 5/23/16.
- **GovTrack chance of passage:** 48%

As of May 26, this bill had been placed on the Senate legislative calendar.

Drought Bills

Valadao bill (HR 2898): Western Water and American Food Security Act

The House inserted significant portions of Rep. Valadao's Western Water and American Food Security Act (HR 2898) into the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act (HR 5055). On May 26, the House voted down the bill, in large part due to unrelated transgender, gay and lesbian issues that were included. Congress plans to develop a new appropriations bill or bills, aiming for passage by July 15.

Feinstein bill (S 2533) and Garamendi bill (HR 5247): California Long-Term Provisions for Water Supply and Short-Term Provisions for Emergency Drought Relief Act

As requested by Reps. Huffman and Thompson, the Council sent a comment letter on S. 2533 on May 11 (see Agenda Item F.1, Attachment 3). As requested by the Council, the comment letter was based on a letter previously sent by the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations. Senator Feinstein and Rep. Garamendi responded with a rebuttal on May 19 (Agenda Item F.1, Attachment 4).

Senator Feinstein is working to secure markup on HR 2533. A hearing was held on May 17; (see BOR testimony, Agenda Item F.1, Attachment 6). The Garamendi bill, introduced on May 16, is essentially identical to the Feinstein bill.

Other New and Noteworthy Bills

HR 5054: Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act

- **Introduced by** Bill Shuster (R-PA) on April 26, 2016.
- **Status:** Reported by Senate Appropriations Committee on April 26, 2016.
- **GovTrack chance of passage:** 40%

This bill contains several provisions introduced by Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-AK), including a labeling mandate for genetically engineered (GE) salmon and recommendations for nutritional advice on seafood. The GE salmon provision requires the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to mandate labeling of GE salmon. Other language directs the FDA to ensure that pregnant and nursing women receive consistent and understandable nutrition advice on what seafood is safe and healthy to consume that is based on the FDA's latest scientific review of the net effects of seafood consumption.

HR 5270: To abolish the Marine Mammal Commission and transfer its functions to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

- **Introduced by** Steve Russell (R-OK) on May 18, 2016.
- **Status:** Introduced.
- **GovTrack chance of passage:** 5%

Abolishes the Marine Mammal Commission (an independent Federal agency, the goal of which is “to provide independent, science-based oversight of domestic and international policies and actions of federal agencies addressing human impacts on marine mammals and their ecosystems”) and transfers its functions to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

HR 5303/S 2848: Water Resources Development Act of 2016.

- **Introduced by** Bill Shuster (R-PA) on May 23, 2016 and James Inhofe (R-OK) on April 25, 2016 respectively.
- **Status:** HR 5303 was reported by committee on May 25, 2016. The Senate version has not yet been reported.
- **GovTrack chance of passage:** (House version) 22%

These bills supports the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ civil works programs such as dredging, navigation, flood risk management, infrastructure, etc. The House version includes ecosystem restoration project funds for Washington's Skokomish River (\$6.8 million in Federal funds), Oregon's Willamette River (\$19.1 million), San Francisco Bay (\$69.5 million) and Los Angeles River (\$375.7 million). S 2848 provides for assistance to tribal families displaced by the construction of Bonneville and John Day dams.

S 2654/HR 4711: Crab Emergency Disaster Assistance Act of 2016.

- **Introduced by** Barbara Boxer (D-CA) on March 8, 2016 and Jackie Speier (D-CA) on March 3, respectively
- **Status:** Introduced.
- **GovTrack chance of passage:** 27%

This bill would provide California Dungeness and rock crab fishermen and related businesses with \$138 million in assistance funding, following the shutdown of the California crab fishery due to high levels of domoic acid.

Fishery Bills in the 114th Congress (and Selected State Bills)

Tracked for their relevance to MSA reauthorization, precedent-setting potential, or indirect impact on Council-managed fisheries.

Bill No	Title	Summary or Title	Introduced by	Chance*
California state bill				
AB 226	Pacific to Plate	Makes it easier for commercial fishermen to sell fish at farmers' markets. Allows fishermen's markets to operate as food facilities; allows fresh fish to be cleaned for direct sale; streamlines permitting process.	Toni Atkins (Cal Assembly)	
Introduced	2/3/2015		Last updated	Signed
Status	Signed into law		Priority	C
SB 1114	(Would phase out California drift gillnet fishery)	Would phase out California drift gillnet fishery	Ben Allen	0%
Introduced	2/17/2016		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Died in committee 5/31/16		Priority	A
SB 1363	Ocean Protection Council: Ocean Acidification and Hypoxia Reduction Program	Would require the state to establish and administer the Ocean Acidification and Hypoxia Reduction Program for the purposes of achieving specified goals	Bill Monning	
Introduced	2/19/2016		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Passed CA Senate Committee on Env'l Quality. Hearings held in Appropriations Committee 5/16/16		Priority	D
House				
HR 8	North American Energy Security and Infrastructure Act of 2015	To modernize energy infrastructure, build a 21st century energy and manufacturing workforce, bolster America's energy security and diplomacy, and promote energy efficiency and government accountability. Could create loopholes in dam relicensing laws.	Fred Upton (R-MI)	33%
Introduced	12/2/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Passed House 12/3/15		Priority	B

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Bill No	Title	Summary or Title	Introduced by	Chance*
HR 291	Water in the 21st Century Act (W21) (see also S 176)	Sets up \$1.95 billion in loans and grants over 5 years for water recycling, storm water capture and treatment, ground water management and water infrastructure projects. Sets aside \$6 million to study the feasibility of desalination.	Grace Napolitano (D-CA)	2%
Introduced	1/13/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Essentially dead		Priority	C
HR 330	Marine Access and State Transparency (see also HR 900, S 437, S 228)	Requires congressional approval of national monuments and restrictions on the use of national monuments, to establish requirements for declaration of marine national monuments.	Don Young (R-AK)	7%
Introduced	1/13/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Essentially dead		Priority	C
HR 337	Maritime Lien Reform Act	Limits maritime liens on fishing permits.	Don Young (R-AK)	1%
Introduced	1/13/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Essentially dead		Priority	A
HR 393	Untitled (Labeling of GMO fish)	Amends the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to require labeling of genetically engineered fish.	Don Young (R-AK)	2%
Introduced	1/14/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Essentially dead		Priority	D
HR 394	Prevention of Escapement of Genetically Altered Salmon in the United States Act	Resubmittal of HR 1667, discussed in June 2013. Adds DeFazio as a co-sponsor.	Don Young (R-AK)	19%
Introduced	1/14/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Essentially dead		Priority	C
HR 528	Recreational Fishing and Hunting Heritage and Opportunities Act	Directs Federal public land management officials to exercise their authority under existing law to facilitate use of and access to Federal public lands for fishing, sport hunting, and recreational shooting.	Dan Benishek (R-MI)	8%
Introduced	1/26/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	D

Bill No	Title	Summary or Title	Introduced by	Chance*
HR 564	Endangered Salmon and Fisheries Predation Prevention Act	Amends the MMPA to reduce predation on endangered Columbia River salmon and other nonlisted species, and for other purposes. Identical to Hastings bill submitted in 113th Congress.	Kurt Schraeder (D-OR) & Jaime Herrera-Beutler (R-WA)	10%
Introduced	1/27/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	A
HR 774	Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing Enforcement Act of 2015 (see instead S 1334)	Enhances authority to regulate illegal fishing. Increases capacity for inspection, ID, and monitoring of illegal foreign vessels. Directs Commerce to enforce High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act. Implements Antigua Convention.	Madeleine Bordallo (D-Guam)	34%
Introduced	2/5/2015		Last updated	Signed
Status	Signed into law 11/5/2015		Priority	A
HR 900	National Monument Designation Transparency and Accountability Act (see also HR 330, S 228, S 437)	Requires congressional and State approval of national monuments and restrictions on the use of national monuments.	Raul Labrador (R-ID)	15%
Introduced	2/11/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	C
HR 980 (see S 373)	Vessel Incidental Discharge Act (see instead S 373)	Makes vessel discharge exception permanent. See S 373 instead.	Duncan Hunter (R-CA)	5%
Introduced	2/13/2015		Last updated	See instead S
Status	Stalled		Priority	A
HR 981	Red Snapper Regulatory Reform Act	Amends the MSA in regard to Gulf of Mexico Red Snapper management.	Bradley Byrne (R-AK)	6%
Introduced	2/13/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	F

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HR 1060	Sacramento Valley Water Storage and Restoration Act of 2015	Directs Interior to support non-Federal investments in water infrastructure improvements in the Sacramento Valley, specifically the Sites Reservoir.	Doug LaMalfa (R-CA)	2%
Introduced	2/25/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	C
HR 1140	San Francisco Bay Restoration Act	To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish a grant program to support the restoration of San Francisco Bay.	Jackie Speier (D-CA)	1%
Introduced	2/26/2016		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	D
HR 1207	Healthy Fisheries Through Better Science Act (see S 1403)	Amends the MSA to require Commerce to develop a plan to conduct stock assessments for all stocks of fish for which a fishery management plan is in effect.	Robert Wittman (R-VA)	3%
Introduced	3/2/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	B
HR 1276	Coastal State Climate Change Planning Act	Amends the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 to Commerce to establish a coastal climate change adaptation planning and response program.	Lois Capps (D-CA)	2%
Introduced	3/4/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	C
HR 1277	Ocean Acidification Research Partnerships Act	Provides for ocean acidification collaborative research grant opportunities.	Lois Capps (D-CA)	6%
Introduced	3/4/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	C
HR 1321	Microbead-Free Waters Act of 2015	To prohibit the sale or distribution of cosmetics containing synthetic plastic microbeads.	Frank Pallone (D-NJ)	40%
Introduced	3/4/2015		Last updated	Signed
Status	Signed into law on 12/28/15		Priority	C

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HR 1335	Strengthening Fishing Communities and Increasing Flexibility in Fisheries Management Act	Amends the MSA with the purpose of providing flexibility for fishery managers and stability for fishermen.	Don Young (R-AK)	11%
Introduced	3/4/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Passed House 6/1/15, but stalled		Priority	A
HR 1668	Save Our Water Act	To amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to provide for suspension of application of the Act to water releases by Federal and State agencies in river basins that are affected by drought, and for other purposes.	Tom McClintock (R-CA)	7%
Introduced	3/26/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	A
HR 1826	Fishing Economy Improvement Act	Reauthorizes the MSA.	Gregorio Sablan (Guam - Ind)	13%
Introduced	4/15/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Superseded.		Priority	A
HR 1869	Environmental Compliance Cost Transparency Act	Provides for transparency and reporting related to costs incurred by the Bonneville Power Administration and other power authorities related to compliance with Federal environmental laws impacting the conservation of fish and wildlife.	Paul Gosar (R-AZ)	3%
Introduced	4/16/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	D
HR 1987 (See HR 4188)	Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2015	Authorizes appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2016 and 2017. Funds Newport helicopter. Incorporates HR 337 on maritime liens.	Duncan Hunter (R-CA)	22%
Introduced	4/23/2015		Last updated	See instead H
Status	Superseded.		Priority	C
HR 2040	Striped Bass American Heritage Act	Designates the Atlantic striped bass as the National Fish of the United States.	Tom MacArthur (R-NJ)	3%
Introduced	4/28/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	D

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HR 2106	Fisheries Investment and Regulatory Relief Act of 2015	Provides funding to support fisheries and the communities that rely upon them, to clear unnecessary regulatory burdens and streamline Federal fisheries management. Amends S-K Act.	Frank Guinta (R-NH)	5%
Introduced	4/29/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	A
HR 2168 (see S 1143)	West Coast Dungeness Crab Management Act (see also S 1143)	Makes the current Dungeness crab fishery management regime permanent.	Jaime Herrera Beutler (D-WA)	71%
Introduced	4/30/2015		Last updated	See instead S
Status	Passed House 10/6/2015		Priority	A
HR 2220	Marine and Hydrokinetic Renewable Energy Act	To promote research, development, and demonstration of marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy technologies	Theodore Deutch (D-FL)	2%
Introduced	5/1/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	C
HR 2541	Rhode Island Fishermen's Fairness Act (see also S 1414)	Amends the MSA to add Rhode Island to the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council.	Jim Langevin (D-RI)	3%
Introduced	5/21/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	D
HR 2553	Coastal Communities Ocean Acidification Act	To direct the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to conduct coastal community vulnerability assessments related to ocean acidification, and for other purposes.	Chellie Pingree (D-ME)	3%
Introduced	5/21/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	D
HR 2717	Federal Ocean Acidification Research and Monitoring Act of 2015	To modify the Federal Ocean Acidification Research and Monitoring Act of 2009.	Sam Farr (D-CA)	6%
Introduced	6/10/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	C

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Bill No	Title	Summary or Title	Introduced by	Chance*
HR 2898	Western Water and American Food Security Act of 2015	To provide drought relief in the State of California, and for other purposes.	David Valadeo (R-CA)	15%
Introduced	6/25/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Passed house 7/16/15		Priority	A
HR 2983	Drought Recovery and Resilience Act of 2015	To provide drought assistance and improved water supply reliability to the State of California, other western States, and the Nation	Jared Huffman (D-CA)	1%
Introduced	7/8/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	A
HR 3094	Gulf States Red Snapper Management Authority Act	To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to transfer to States the authority to manage red snapper fisheries in the Gulf of Mexico	Garrett Graves (R-LA)	7%
Introduced	7/16/2015		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	D
HR 3269 (see S 1335)	North Pacific Fisheries Convention Implementation Act	To implement the Convention on the Conservation and Management of the High Seas Fisheries Resources in the North Pacific Ocean, as adopted at Tokyo on February 24, 2012	Don Young (R-AK)	12%
Introduced	7/28/2015		Last updated	See instead S
Status	Moving up		Priority	A
HR 3282	Protecting Honest Fishermen Act	To strengthen Federal consumer protection and product traceability with respect to commercially marketed seafood.	Blake Farenthold (R-TX)	2%
Introduced	7/29/215		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	B
HR 3630	Promoting United Government Efforts to Save Our Sound Act	To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to provide assistance for programs and activities to protect the water quality of Puget Sound	Denny Heck (D-WA)	6%
Introduced	9/28/2015		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	C

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HR 3806	Alaskan Pollock and Golden King Crab Labeling Act	To establish certain requirements with respect to pollock and golden king crab.	Jaime Herrera-Beutler (R-WA)	5%
Introduced	10/22/2015		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Relatively new		Priority	C
HR 3927	West Coast Ocean Protection Act of 2015	To amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the outer Continental Shelf off the coast of California, Oregon, and Washington.	Jared Huffman (D-CA)	7%
Introduced	11/4/2015		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Relatively new		Priority	B
HR 4088	Promoting Offshore Wind Power Act	To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an investment tax credit related to the production of electricity from offshore wind.	Bill Pascrell Jr (D-NJ)	3%
Introduced	11/19/2015		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Relatively new		Priority	C
HR 4188	Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2016	To authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2016 and 2017	Duncan Hunter (R-CA)	22%
Introduced	12/10/2015		Last updated	Signed
Status	Signed into law		Priority	C
HR 4480	Albatross and Petrel Conservation Act	To implement the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels, and for other purposes	Alan Lowenthal (D-CA)	7%
Introduced	2/4/2016		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Relatively new		Priority	C
HR 4576	Ensuring Access to Pacific Fisheries Act	To implement the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fisheries Resources in the North Pacific Ocean, to implement the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fishery Resources in the South Pacific Ocean.	Aumua Amata (Am. Samoa)	7%
Introduced	2/12/2016		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Introduced; hearings held		Priority	A

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HR 4582	Save our Salmon Act	To exclude striped bass from the anadromous fish doubling requirement in section 3406(b)(1) of the Central Valley Project Improvement Act, and for other purposes	Jeff Denham (R-CA)	6%
Introduced	2/23/2016		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Relatively new		Priority	A
HR 4617	Untitled	To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to require that the Buy American purchase requirement for the school lunch program include fish harvested within United States waters, and for other purposes.	Suzan DelBene (D-WA)	1%
Introduced	2/25/2016		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Relatively new		Priority	C
HR 5054	Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017	Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017. Contains several fisheries related provisions introduced by Murkowski.	Robert Aderholt (R-AL)	40%
Introduced	4/26/2016		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Companion bill S 2956 reported by committee		Priority	
HR 5247	California Long-Term Provisions for Water Supply and Short-Term Provisions for Emergency Drought Relief Act	To provide short-term water supplies to drought-stricken California and provide for long-term investments in drought resiliency throughout the Western United States.	John Garamendi (D-CA)	2%
Introduced	5/16/2016		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	New		Priority	A
HR 5270	Efficient Marine Mammal Protection Act	To abolish the Marine Mammal Commission and transfer its functions to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.	Steve Russell (R-OK)	5%
Introduced	5/17/2016		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	New		Priority	C

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Bill No	Title	Summary or Title	Introduced by	Chance*
HR 5303	Water Resources Development Act of 2016	Relates to Corps of Engineers projects such as dredging, flood control, etc. Includes some ecosystem restoration project funds for Washington's Skokomish River (6.8 million in Federal funds), Oregon's Willamette River (\$19.1 million), San Francisco Bay (\$	Bill Shuster (R-PA)	22%
Introduced	5/23/2016		Last updated	6/1/2016
Status	Reported by committee		Priority	C

Senate

S 132	Oregon and California Land Grant Act	A bill to improve timber management on O&C grant land, and for other purposes. Increases some harvest, protects other forests.	Ron Wyden (D-OR)	24%
Introduced	1/8/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	D

S 133	Klamath Basin Water Recovery and Economic Restoration Act	A bill to approve and implement the Klamath Basin agreements, to improve natural resource management, support economic development, and sustain agricultural production in the Klamath River Basin, etc. Discussed by LC in June 2014.	Ron Wyden (D-OR)	24%
Introduced	1/8/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Essentially dead		Priority	B

S 176	Water in the 21st Century Act (W21) (see also HR 291)	A bill to advance integrated water management and development through innovation, resiliency, conservation, and efficiency in the 21st century.	Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	1%
Introduced	1/13/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Essentially dead		Priority	C

S 190	Imported Seafood Safety Standards Act	Prohibits imports of seafood from a foreign country unless certified compliant with U.S. standards. Yearly inspection of foreign export facilities and 20% of all imported seafood. Foreign seafood could only be imported at ports with trained personnel.	David Vitter (R-LA)	11%
Introduced	1/20/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	B

Bill No	Title	Summary or Title	Introduced by	Chance*
S 225	Hunting, Fishing, and Recreational Shooting Protection Act (see also S 405)	Amends the Toxic Substances Control Act to clarify the jurisdiction of the EPA with respect to lead bullets and fishing tackle. Exempts those articles from a definition under that Act.	John Thune (R-SD)	1%
Introduced	1/21/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Essentially dead		Priority	D
S 228	National Monument Designation Transparency and Accountability Act (see also S 556, HR 900, S 437, HR 330)	Requires congressional and State approval of national monuments and restrictions on the use of national monuments.	Michael Crapo (R-ID)	15%
Introduced	1/21/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Essentially dead		Priority	C
S 373	Vessel Incidental Discharge Act (see also HR 980)	Establishes nationally uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel. (Makes current NPDES exemption permanent).	Marco Rubio (R-FL)	36%
Introduced	2/4/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Essentially dead		Priority	A
S 405 (see S 659)	Bipartisan Sportsmen's Act of 2015 (see instead S 659, HR 556)	A bill to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes.	Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)	43%
Introduced	2/5/2015		Last updated	See instead S
Status	Stalled		Priority	D
S 437	Improved National Monument Designation Process Act (see also HR 900, S 228, HR 330)	Requires congressional approval of national monuments and restrictions on the use of national monuments, and establishes requirements for the declaration of marine national monuments.	Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)	11%
Introduced	2/10/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	C

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S 556	Bipartisan Sportsmen's Act of 2015 (see also HR 225, S 405)	A bill to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes	Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)	37%
Introduced	2/25/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Reported by committee 11/19/15		Priority	D
S 659	Bipartisan Sportsmen's Act of 2015	A bill to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes	Dan Sullivan (R-AK)	21%
Introduced	3/4/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Reported by committee 1/20/16		Priority	D
S 738	Genetically Engineered Salmon Risk Reduction Act	To reduce the risks associated with genetically altered salmon in the United States	Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)	7%
Introduced	3/12/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	C
S 1140	Federal Water Quality Protection Act	Revises the definition of the term "waters of the United States." Halts an ongoing COE/EPA rulemaking to clarify and restore Clean Water Act protections for certain water bodies.	John Barrasso (R-WY)	15%
Introduced	4/30/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Essentially dead. Failed cloture.		Priority	C
S 1143	West Coast Dungeness Crab Management Act (see also HR 2168, which has passed House)	Makes the authority of States of Washington, Oregon, and California to manage the Dungeness crab fishery permanent.	Maria Cantwell (D-WA)	48%
Introduced	4/30/2015		Last updated	5/25/2016
Status	Reported by committee 11/18/15; reported by Senate Committee 5/23/16		Priority	A

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Bill No	Title	Summary or Title	Introduced by	Chance*
S 1236	Hydropower Improvement Act of 2015	Amends the Federal Power Act to modify certain requirements relating to license applications before FERC. Aimed at streamlining process for small projects.	Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)	23%
Introduced	5/6/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	B
S 1334 (Companion bill signed)	Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing Enforcement Act of 2015 (see also HR 774)	Strengthens enforcement mechanisms to stop illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing, and amends the Tuna Conventions Act of 1950 to implement the Antigua Convention. The Council has commented on this and similar legislation.	Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)	25%
Introduced	5/13/2015		Last updated	Signed
Status	Companion bill signed into law		Priority	A
S 1335	North Pacific Fisheries Convention Implementation Act	Implements the Convention on the Conservation and Management of the High Seas Fishery Resources in the North Pacific Ocean.	Dan Sullivan (R-AK)	34%
Introduced	5/13/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Passed Senate 5/17/16		Priority	A
S 1336	South Pacific Fisheries Convention Implementation Act	Implements the Convention on the Conservation and Management of the High Seas Fishery Resources in the South Pacific Ocean.	Brian Schatz (D-HI)	48%
Introduced	5/13/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Reported by committee 5/20/15; hearings held		Priority	B
S 1338	Small Hydro Act of 2015	Amends the Federal Power Act to provide licensing procedures for certain types of hydro projects under 5 megawatts.	Angus King (Ind-ME)	8%
Introduced	4/14/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	C
S 1403	Florida Fisheries Improvement Act (amended)	Amends the MSA to promote sustainable conservation and management for the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic fisheries and the communities that rely on them.	Marco Rubio (R-FL)	37%
Introduced	5/20/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Essentially dead.		Priority	A

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S 1414	Rhode Island Fishermen's Fairness Act (see also HR 2541)	Amends the MSA to add Rhode Island to the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council.	Jack Reed (D-RI)	3%
Introduced	5/21/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	D
S 1611	Coast Guard Reauthorization Act of 2015 (see instead HR 4188)	A bill to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2016 and 2017.	John Thune (R-SD)	36%
Introduced	6/18/2015		Last updated	Signed
Status	Companion bill signed into law.		Priority	A
S 1780	Restoring America's Watersheds Act	A bill to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to promote watershed health, and for other purposes.	Martin Heinrich (D-NM)	3%
Introduced	7/15/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	C
S 1837	Drought Recovery and Resilience Act	A bill to provide drought assistance and improved water supply reliability to the State of California, other western States, and the Nation.	Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	1%
Introduced	7/22/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	A
S 1886	Coordinated Ocean Monitoring and Research Act	A bill to reauthorize the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act of 2009	Roger Wicker (R-MS)	25%
Introduced	7/29/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Reported by committee 12/9/15		Priority	C
S 1894	California Emergency Drought Relief Act	A bill to provide short-term water supplies to drought-stricken California.	Dianne Feinstein (D-CA)	3%
Introduced	7/29/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	A

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S 2095	Alaskan Pollock and Golden King Crab Labeling Act	Establishes certain labeling requirements with respect to pollock and golden king crab	Maria Cantwell (D-WA)	5%
Introduced	9/29/2015		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Stalled		Priority	D
S 2654	Crab Emergency Disaster Assistance Act of 2016	A bill to make funds available for Dungeness crab and rock crab emergency disaster assistance, and for other purposes.	Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	27%
Introduced	3/8/2016		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Relatively new		Priority	C
S 2886	A bill to reauthorize the Fisheries Restoration and Irrigation Mitigation Act of 2000	A bill to reauthorize the Fisheries Restoration and Irrigation Mitigation Act of 2000	Ron Wyden (D-OR)	8%
Introduced	4/28/2016		Last updated	5/18/2016
Status	Introduced		Priority	

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