

## STAFF SUMMARY OF FEDERAL LEGISLATION IN THE 116<sup>TH</sup> U.S. CONGRESS

A summary of recent Federal legislation is provided below (see table below for full summary). 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>.

Bill status is up to date as of October 22, 2019. No relevant bills have been signed into law since the September Council meeting, and the Council has not received any new requests for comment.

### ***Updates on Previously Discussed Bills***

Bills that have not moved forward since September are listed in the table at the end of this report.

### ***Passed House***

#### **Arctic Cultural and Coastal Plain Protection Act (HR 1146)**

- Introduced by Jared Huffman (D-CA) on February 11.
- Passed House on September 12.

Amends the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act to repeal the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge oil and gas program.

#### **Coastal and Marine Economies Protection Act (HR 1941)**

- Introduced by Joe Cunningham (D-SC) on March 28.
- Passed House on September 11.

Amends the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior including in any leasing program certain planning areas.

### ***Reported by Committee (alphabetical order)***

#### **American Fisheries Advisory Committee Act (S 494/HR 1218)**

- S 494 introduced by Dan Sullivan (R-AK) on February 14 and reported by committee on April 3.
- HR 1218 introduced by Don Young (R-AK) on February 13 and reported by committee on September 18.

Establishes the American Fisheries Advisory Committee to assist in the awarding of fisheries research and development grants.

#### **Digital Coast Act (S 1069/HR 2189)**

- S 1069 introduced by Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) on April 9.
- HR 2189 introduced by A. Dutch Ruppersberger (D-MD) on April 9 and reported by committee on September 18.

Requires Commerce (NOAA) to establish a constituent-driven program to provide a digital information platform capable of efficiently integrating coastal data with decision-support tools, training, and best practices and to support collection of priority coastal geospatial data to inform and improve local, State, regional, and Federal capacities to manage the coastal region.

### **Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act Amendments of 2019 (HR 1314)**

- Introduced by Don Young (R-AK) on March 19 and reported by committee on September 18.

Reauthorizes the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act.

### **Living Shorelines Act (S 1730/HR 3115)**

- S 1730 introduced by Kamala Harris (D-CA) on June 5.
- HR 3115 introduced by Frank Pallone (D-NJ) on June 5 and reported by committee on September 25.

Directs NOAA to make grants for purposes of carrying out climate-resilient living shoreline projects that protect coastal communities by supporting ecosystem functions and habitats with the use of natural materials.

### **Marine Energy Research and Development Act (S 1821/HR 3203)**

- S 1821 introduced by Ron Wyden (D-OR) on June 12 and reported by committee on September 25.
- HR 3203 and introduced by Theodore Deutsch (D-FL) on June 11.

To provide research, development, and deployment of marine energy, and for other purposes.

### **National Fish Habitat Conservation through Partnerships Act (S 754/HR 1747)**

- S 754 introduced by Michael Crapo (R-ID) on March 12.
- HR 1747 introduced by Robert Wittman (R-VA) on March 13 and reported by committee on Sept. 25.

Encourages partnerships among public agencies and other interested persons to promote fish conservation.

### **National Sea Grant College Program Amendments Act (S 910/HR 2405)**

- S 910 introduced by Roger Wicker (R-MS) on March 27 and reported by committee on April 3.

- HR 2405 introduced by Jared Huffman (D-CA) on April 30 and reported by committee on September 18.

Reauthorizes and amends the National Sea Grant College Program Act.

**Scientific Integrity Act (S 775/HR 1709)**

- Introduced by Brian Schatz (D-HI) and Paul Tonko (D-NY) on March 13. HR 1709 reported by committee on October 17.

Amends the America COMPETES Act to establish scientific integrity policies for Federal agencies that fund, conduct, or oversee scientific research.

**Shark Fin Sales Elimination Act (S 877/HR 737)**

- S 877 introduced by Corey Booker (D-NJ) and reported by committee on April 3.
- HR 737 introduced by Gregorio Sablan (D-CNMI) on January 23 and reported by committee on September 18. This bill has 265 bipartisan cosponsors.

This bill would ban the selling or buying of shark fins nationwide, with a fine of up to \$100,000. The bill would permit sharks to be caught for subsistence purposes or scientific research. Dogfish are exempted.

**Tribal Coastal Resiliency Act (HR 729)**

- Introduced by Derek Kilmer (D-WA) on January 23 and reported by committee on September 25.

Amends the Coastal Zone Management Act to authorize grants to tribes for use in achieving tribal coastal zone objectives.

***New Bills (alphabetical order)***

**Coastal State Climate Preparedness Act (HR 3541)**

- Introduced by Salud Carbajal (D-CA) on June 27.
- Reported by committee on September 25.

Amends the Coastal Zone Management Act to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish a coastal climate change adaptation preparedness and response program.

**Fish “SAFE” Act (S 1410/HR 4719)**

- Introduced by Ed Markey (D-MA) and Jared Golden (D-ME) on May 5/October 17. Reported by committee September 19.

This bill reauthorizes and expands the Department of Health and Human Services fishing safety training and research grant programs, and increases the Federal share of costs for activities under these programs.

**Keep America's Waterfronts Working Act (HR 3596)**

- Introduced by Chellie Pingree (D-ME) on June 28.
- Reported by committee on September 25.

Amends the Coastal Zone Management Act to establish a Working Waterfront Task Force and a working waterfronts grant program.

**Promoting United Government Efforts to Save our Sound Act (HR 2247)**

- Introduced by Denny Heck (D-WA) on April 10. Reported by committee September 19.

Amends the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to provide assistance for programs and activities to protect the water quality of Puget Sound.

**San Francisco Bay Restoration Act (HR 1132)**

- Introduced by Jackie Speier (D-CA) on February 8.
- Reported by committee on September 19.

Amends the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish a grant program to help revive the Bay Area's wetlands, improve water quality, and protect coastal communities from the damaging effects of sea level rise. The bill authorizes \$25 million each year for five years to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to award grants to conservation and restoration projects, consistent with the Federal Clean Water Act's Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan for San Francisco Bay. These funds will match the \$25 million that the local Measure AA is expected to raise annually.

It will also establish a San Francisco Bay Program Office within the EPA and authorize the EPA Administrator to appoint a Director of that Program Office to oversee Federal funding. (2%)

**Save Our Seas 2.0 Act (S 2372)**

- Introduced by Robert Menendez (D-NJ) (with Dan Sullivan and Sheldon Whitehouse) on July 31.
- Reported by committee on September 25.

A bill to enhance global engagement to combat marine debris, particularly plastics.

**Untitled (HR 4723)**

- Introduced by Jared Huffman (D-CA) on October 17.

Requires the identification of salmon conservation areas, and for other purposes. (Text not yet available).

### **Untitled (HR 4679)**

- Introduced by Joe Cunningham (D-SC) on October 15.

Requires the U.S. Comptroller General to submit a report to Congress examining efforts by the Regional Fishery Management Councils, the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, and NMFS to prepare and adapt United States fishery management for the impacts of climate change.

### ***Other Bills of Interest***

#### **Coast Guard Authorization Act (HR 3409)**

- Introduced by Peter DeFazio (D-OR) on June 21. Passed House on July 24.

This bipartisan legislation authorizes appropriations for the Coast Guard for FY 2020-2021. The 165-page bill includes a wide variety of provisions, most notably:

- Title V relates to safety requirements for certain uninspected commercial industry vessels. Such vessels must be equipped with fire extinguishers; life preservers; flame arrestors or similar devices on engines; means of ventilating enclosed spaces; visual distress signals; other equipment as required by the Coast Guard; and a placard required by regulations. In addition, the Secretary shall develop regulations requiring alerting/locating equipment, including EPIRBs; survival craft; immersion suits; marine radio communication equipment; navigation equipment; first aid equipment; and ground tackle. The Secretary may prescribe regulations establishing minimum safety standards related to navigation equipment, safety equipment, fire protection, and fuel, ventilation and electrical systems.
- Individuals “in charge of a subject vessel” must pass a training program and hold a valid certificate. (The Act outlines the requirements of the training systems).
- The Secretary may establish an alternate safety compliance program developed in coordination with the commercial fishing industry, including requirements for specific regions or fisheries. After three years, vessels over 50 feet, built before July 1, 2013, and over 25 years of age (or remodeled boats) must comply with this alternate program. Exceptions are given for owners of more than 30 vessels. A “substitute safety compliance program” and “enhanced substitute safety compliance program” are available for vessels under different circumstances (see page 106 of bill for details).
- Appropriates \$3,000,000 for a Fishing Safety Training Grant Program to provide funding for commercial fishing safety training.
- Appropriates \$3,000,000 for a Fishing Safety Research Grant Program to provide funding for fishing businesses, NGOs, universities, etc., to conduct research on ways to improve safety in the fishing industry.
- Includes the full text of the Pay Our Coast Guard Parity Act, which (among other things) ensures that Coast Guard members and civilian employees will be paid during any future government shutdown.

- Includes the Coast Guard Personnel Parity Act, which ensures that Coast Guard service members receive the same benefits and services offered to those in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.
- Helps reduce and better manage the \$2.6 billion project backlog for Coast Guard infrastructure.
- Requires commercial vessels over 65 feet, and certain other vessels, to use electronic navigation charts.
- Establishes a National Maritime Transportation System Advisory Committee to advise the Secretary of Transportation on matters relating to the maritime transportation system.
- Makes it illegal to aim a laser pointer at a vessel operating in U.S. waters.
- Requires use of engine cutoff switches in certain small recreational vessels.
- Encourages Coast Guard to assess the use of unmanned maritime systems (drones and submersibles) for Coast Guard missions.
- Includes multiple provisions related to gender equity, diversity, sexual harassment, and sexual assault.
- Calls for a National Academy of Sciences study of Coast Guard authorities and emerging issues such as new technologies, changes in navigable waterways, etc.
- Calls for Coast Guard to implement cloud computing.
- Requires a study of vulnerabilities of USCG installations resulting from climate change within the next 20 years, and mitigation of these vulnerabilities.
- Sets forth policies related to safety zones for special activities such as offshore energy development.
- Allows the Coast Guard to extend certain vessel certificates for one year.

**BILLS THAT HAVE NOT MOVED SINCE SEPTEMBER**

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	<b>S 2166</b>	Regional Ocean Partnership Act	Wicker (R-MS)	Reported by committee 7/24/19.	A bill to designate Regional Ocean Partnerships of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
	<b>HR 3140</b>	Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Clarification Act	Pappas (D-NH)	Introduced 6/5/19.	Recodifies a portion of U.S. code for commercial fishing vessels, to simplify the code and make compliance easier. Included as an amendment in the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2019 (HR 3409).
Algal blooms	<b>HR 414</b>	Protecting Local Communities from Harmful Algal Blooms Act	Rooney (R-FL)	Introduced 1/9/19. Not moving.	Includes algal bloom in the definition of a “major disaster.”
Aquaculture	<b>S 2467</b>	Keep Fin Fish Free Act	Young (R-AK)	Introduced 5/1/19.	Prohibits Interior and Commerce from authorizing commercial finfish aquaculture operations in the EEZ except in accordance with a law authorizing such action.
Climate change/ocean acidification	<b>HR 330</b>	Climate Solutions Act	Lieu (D-CA)	Introduced 2/13/19. Not moving.	Creates a national renewable energy standard and a national energy efficiency standard.
	<b>S 778</b>	Coastal Communities Ocean Acidification Act	Murkowski (R-AK)	Introduced 3/13/19. (Companion bill has passed House)	
	<b>HR 988</b>	National Estuaries and Acidification Research Act of 2019	Posey (R-FL)	Introduced 2/6/19. Reported by committee 5/1, passed House 6/6/19.	Directs the Ocean Studies Board to examine impacts of ocean acidification and other stressors in marine environments. (27%)
	<b>HR 1317</b>	Coastal Communities Adaptation Act	Rouda (D-CA)	Introduced 2/22/19. Not moving.	Aims to improve the resilience of the built and natural environment to natural disasters and climate change using, among other measures, natural and nature-based features.
Climate change/ocean acidification	<b>S 1482</b>	Safeguarding America’s Future and Environment Act	Whitehouse (D-RI)	Introduced 5/5/19.	To establish an integrated national approach to respond to ongoing and expected effects of extreme weather and climate change by protecting, managing, and conserving the fish, wildlife, and plants of the United States, and to maximize Government efficiency and reduce costs, in cooperation with State, local, and Tribal governments and other entities.

	<b>HR 1716</b>	Coastal Communities Ocean Acidification Act	Pingree (D-ME)	Introduced 3/13/19. Reported by committee 5/1. Passed House 6/5/19.	Directs Commerce (NOAA) to conduct coastal community vulnerability assessments related to ocean acidification.
	<b>HR 1921</b>	Ocean Acidification Innovation Act	Kilmer (D-WA)	Introduced 3/27/19. Passed House 6/5/19.	Establishes prize competitions for innovation or adaptation management development relating to ocean acidification. (3%)
	<b>HR 2349</b>	Climate Change Education Act	Dingell (D-MI)	Introduced 4/22/19.	Authorizes NOAA to establish a Climate Change Education Program.
	<b>HR 2448</b>	Ocean Acidification Research Partnerships Act	Carbajal (D-CA)	Introduced 5/1/19.	Supports collaborate research on ocean acidification.
	<b>HR 2748</b>	Safeguarding America's Future and Environment Act	Cartright (D-PA)	Introduced 5/15/19.	Aims to establish an integrated approach to respond to ongoing and expected effects of extreme weather and climate change by protecting, managing, and conserving the fish, wildlife, and plants of the United States, and to maximize Government efficiency and reduce costs, in cooperation with State, local, and Tribal governments and other entities. (Full text not available)
Desalination	<b>HR 3723</b>	Desalination Development Act	?	Introduced 7/11/19.	?
Driftnets	<b>S 906/ HR 1979</b>	Driftnet Modernization and Bycatch Reduction Act	Feinstein (D-CA), Lieu (D-CA)	Introduced 3/27/19. Reported by committee 4/3/19.	Extends California state regulations regarding driftnets to all Federal waters within five years. Authorizes NOAA to help fishermen transition. (27%)
Disaster relief	<b>S 1984/ HR 3514</b>	Unnamed	Wyden (D-OR)/Moulton (D-MA)	Introduced 6/26/19.	Amends the MSA to provide fisheries disaster relief for commercial fishery failures that are due to certain duties (tariffs).
Disaster relief	<b>S 2346</b>	Fishery Failures: Urgently Needed Disaster Declarations Act	Wicker (R-MS)	Introduced 7/30/19.	
ESA	<b>HR 30</b>	Saving America's Endangered Species Act (SAVES Act)	Gohmert (R-TX)	Introduced 1/3/19. Not moving.	Amends the ESA to provide that nonnative species are not treated as threatened or endangered species under the Act.



	<b>S 502</b>	State, Tribal, and Local Species Transparency and Recovery Act	Enzi (R-WY)	Introduced 2/14/19. Not moving.	Amends the ESA to require disclosure to states of the basis of determinations under such Act, to ensure use of information provided by State, Tribal, and county governments in decision-making under such Act. (5%)
Fishing businesses	<b>HR 629</b>	Maritime Lien Reform Act	Young (R-AK)	Introduced 1/16/19. Not moving.	Prohibits liens on fishing permits and vessels. (3%)
	<b>S 496/ HR 1240</b>	Young Fishermen's Development Act	Sullivan (R-AK), Young (R-AK)	Introduced 2/14/19. S 496 reported by committee 7/24/19.	Aims to preserve fishing heritage through a national program dedicated to training and assisting the next generation of commercial fishermen.
	<b>S 1291</b>	Fishing Equipment Tax Relief Act	Rubio (R-FL)	Introduced 5/2/19.	Provides a reduced tax rate for portable, electronically-aerated bait containers.
Forage fish	<b>HR 2236</b>	Forage Fish Conservation Act	Dingell (D-MI)	Introduced 4/10/19.	Defines forage fish; makes changes to MSA; requires SSC to make recommendations about providing sufficient abundance of forage fish to support their role in marine ecosystems; ACLs must take forage needs into account. (3%)
Habitat	<b>S 261</b>	North American Wetlands Conservation Extension Act	Heinrich (D-NM)	Introduced 1/29/19. Not moving.	Extends the authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects under the North American Wetlands Conservation Act through fiscal year 2024. (45%)
	<b>HR 992</b>	Southwestern Oregon Watershed and Salmon Protection Act	deFazio (D-OR)	Introduced 2/6/19. Not moving.	Withdraws certain land located in Curry County and Josephine County from mining and geothermal leasing activity. (3%)
IUU fisheries	<b>S 1269</b>	Maritime SAFE Act	Wicker (R-MS)	Introduced 5/1/19.	Aims to address the threat to national security from IUU fishing and associated illegal activity and to prevent the illegal trade of seafood and seafood products. (9%)
Magnuson-Stevens Act	<b>HR 3697</b>	Strengthening Fishing Communities and Increasing Flexibility in Fisheries Management Act	Young (R-AK)	Introduced 7/11/19.	To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to provide flexibility for fishery managers and stability for fishermen (same as HR 200)
Marine mammals	<b>HR 864</b>	Wildlife Conservation and Anti-Trafficking Act	Garamendi (D-CA)	Introduced 1/30/19. Not moving.	Fines from IUU fisheries enforcement must be used for fisheries enforcement. (16%)

Monuments	<b>HR 1664</b>	National Monument Creation and Protection Act	Bishop (R-UT)	Introduced 3/11/19. Not moving.	Limits size and location of national monuments. (Govtrack give this a 98% chance of passage, but it seems unlikely that it would pass the House).
National Environmental Policy Act	<b>HR 363</b>	REBUILD Act	Calvert (R-CA)	Introduced 1/9/19. Not moving.	Amends NEPA to allow states to take over Federal environmental review responsibilities. (3%)
Oil and gas	<b>HR 2352</b>	Marine Oil Spill Prevention Act	Wasserman Schultz (D-FL)	Introduced 4/22/19.	Aims to improve the ability of NOAA, the Coast Guard, and coastal states to sustain healthy ocean and coastal ecosystems by maintaining and sustaining their capabilities relating to oil spill preparedness, prevention, and response. (3%)
	<b>HR 279</b>	California Clean Coast Act	Carbajal (D-CA)	Introduced 1/8/19. Not moving.	Permanently prohibits oil and gas leasing off the coast of the State of California. (3%)
	<b>HR 309</b>	Stop Arctic Ocean Drilling Act of 2019	Huffman (D-CA)	Introduced 1/8/19. Not moving.	Prohibits drilling in the Arctic Ocean. (3%)
	<b>HR 310/S 1318</b>	West Coast Ocean Protection Act	Huffman, Feinstein (D-CA)	Introduced 1/8/19, 5/2/19. Not moving.	Prohibits offshore drilling off the west coast. (3%)
Processing	<b>HR 2658</b>	Commercial Fishing and Seafood Business Act	Wittman (R-VA)	Introduced 5/9/19.	Amends the Department of Defense Appropriations Act to provide for the inclusion of certain workers in the exemption from numerical limitations on H-2B workers.
	<b>HR 3319</b>	Paperwork Reduction for Farmers and H-2A Modernization Act	Kelley (R-MS)	Introduced 6/18/19.	To streamline the application process for H-2A employers.
Public lands	<b>S 827</b>	Northern Rockies Ecosystem Protection Act	Whitehouse (D-RI)	Introduced 3/14/19. Not moving.	Designates certain National Forest System and state land as wilderness, and establishes wild and scenic rivers, wildland recovery areas, and biological connecting corridors. (5%)
	<b>HR 1225</b>	Restore Our Parks and Public Lands Act	Bishop (R-UT)	Introduced 2/14/19. Reported by committee 6/26. 319 bipartisan cosponsors.	Establishes a National Park Service and Public Lands Legacy Restoration Fund to address the maintenance backlog of the National Park Service, Fish and Wildlife Service, BLM, and Bureau of Indian Education. (9%)
	<b>HR 2250</b>	Northwest California Wilderness, Recreation, and Working Forests Act	Huffman (D-CA)	Introduced 4/10/19. Hearing held 7/10/19.	Provides for restoration, economic development, recreation, and conservation on Federal lands in Northern California. (3%)

Regulations, Jurisdiction	<b>S 92</b>	Regulations from the Executive in Need of Scrutiny Act	Paul (R-KY)	Introduced 1/10/19. Not moving.	Amends U.S. code to provide that major rules of the executive branch shall have no force or effect unless a joint resolution of approval is enacted into law. (34%)
	<b>S 395</b>	Providing Accountability Through Transparency Act	Lankford (R-OK)	Passed Senate June 11, 2019.	Requires each agency, in providing notice of a rule making, to include a link to a 100 word plain language summary of the proposed rule.
	<b>HR 548</b>	FISH Act	Calvert (R-CA)	Introduced 1/15/19. Not moving.	Amends the ESA to vest in the Secretary of the Interior certain functions with respect to anadromous fish. The Council commented on this in the past. (Govtrack give this an 83% chance of passage, but it seems unlikely that it would pass the House).
Reefs/corals	<b>S 1375</b>	Reef Safe Act	Merkley (D-OR)	Introduced 5/8/19.	Requires the Commissioner of Food and Drugs to develop standards for a "reef safe" label for sunscreen.
	<b>HR 1834</b>	Defending Our National Marine Sanctuaries from Damaging Chemicals Act	Rooney (R-FL)	Introduced 3/18/19.	Directs Commerce to issue regulations prohibiting the use of sunscreen containing oxybenzone or octinoxate in a National Marine Sanctuary in which coral is present.
Salmon (GMO)	<b>S 282/ HR 1103</b>	Genetically Engineered Salmon Labeling Act	Murkowski (R-AK), Young (R-AK)	Introduced 1/30/19. Not moving.	Amends the market name of genetically altered salmon in the U.S. (5%)
	<b>HR 1104</b>	Untitled	Young (R-AK)	Introduced 2/9/19. Not moving.	Amends the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to require labeling of GMO fish. (5%)
Salmon (GMO)	<b>HR 1105</b>	Prevention of Escapement of Genetically Altered Salmon in the United States Act	Young (R-AK)	Introduced 2/7/19. Not moving.	To prevent the escapement of GMO salmon. (5%)
Science					
	<b>S 914</b>	Coordinated Ocean Observations and Research Act	Wicker (R-MS)	Introduced 3/27/19. Reported by committee 4/3.	Reauthorizes the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act to clarify NOAA's authority with respect to post-storm assessments, and to require the establishment of a National Water Center. (59%)
	<b>S 933</b>	BLUE GLOBE Act (monitoring)	Whitehouse (D-RI)	Introduced 3/28/19.	Aims to improve data collection and monitoring of the Great Lakes, oceans, bays, estuaries, and coasts. (39%)

	<b>HR 1237</b>	COAST Research Act	Bonamici (D-OR)	Passed House June 5, 2019.	Amends the Federal Ocean Acidification Research and Monitoring Act of 2009 to establish an Ocean Acidification Advisory Board, to expand and improve the research on Ocean Acidification and Coastal Acidification, to establish and maintain a data archive system for Ocean Acidification data and Coastal Acidification data.
Seabirds	<b>HR 1305</b>	Albatross and Petrel Conservation Act	Lowenthal (D-CA)	Introduced 2/15/19. Hearing held 3/26/19, reported by committee 6/19/19.	Implements the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels. (3%)
Sharks	<b>HR 614</b>	Shark Sales Elimination Act	Lieu (D-CA)	Introduced 1/16/19. Not moving.	Prohibits the sale of any shark part, possibly including Pacific dogfish. (1%)
Sharks	<b>S 1008/HR 788</b>	Sustainable Shark Fisheries and Trade Act	Rubio (R-FL), Webster (R-FL)	S 1008 reported by committee.	Amends the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act to improve the conservation of sharks, prohibit importation of shark parts.
	<b>S 50/HR 91</b>	Columbia River In-Lieu and Treaty Fishing Access Sites Improvement Act	Merkley (D-OR)	S 47 passed Senate June 27, 2019. HR 91 passed House April 29, 2019.	Authorizes Interior to assess and improve sanitation and safety conditions at BIA facilities that were constructed to provide Columbia River Treaty tribes access to traditional fishing grounds.
Tribes	<b>HR 579</b>	Water Rights Protection Act	Tipton (R-CO)	Introduced 1/15/19. Not moving.	Prohibits the conditioning of any permit, lease, or other use agreement on the transfer of any water right to the United States by the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture.
Water permitting	<b>S 1899/HR 3370</b>	Refuge System Protection Act	Cardin (D-MD)/Thompson (D-CA)	Introduced 6/19/19.	Authorizes USFWS to seek compensation for injuries to trust resources and to use funds received as that compensation to restore, replace, or acquire equivalent resources.
Wildlife refuges					

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Salmon habitat, public lands	<b>S 47</b>	John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act	Murkowski (R-AK)	Signed into law.	Relates to a variety of specific land conveyances and exchanges, public land and National Forest management, wilderness designations and withdrawals, and other matters. (Signed into law)
	<b>S 82/ HR 993/ HR 1056</b>	Frank and Jeanne Moore Wild Steelhead Special Management Area Designation Act	Wyden (D-OR)	Signed into law as part of S 47.	
	<b>S 268/ HR 872</b>	WILD Act	Barrasso (R-WY), Lowenthal (D-CA)	Signed into law as part of S 47.	Reauthorizes the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program and other funds, establishes prize competitions relating to the prevention of wildlife poaching and trafficking, management of invasive species, etc; amends the Marine Turtle Conservation Act to modify the protections provided by that Act.

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