

## LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

The Legislative Committee (LC) will meet on Tuesday, March 8, to review bills proposed in the 117th Congress (Agenda Item C.4, Attachment 1).

A hearing by the House Natural Resources Committee's Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife on two bills to reauthorize the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA) H.R. 4690 - *Sustaining America's Fisheries for the Future Act* introduced by Representative Huffman, H.R. 59 *Strengthening Fishing Communities and Increasing Flexibility in Fisheries Management Act* introduced by Representative Young , and H.R. 5770 the *Forage Fish Conservation Act of 2021* introduced by Representative Dingell was held November 16, 2021. Ms. Janet Coit, Assistant Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service and Chair Marc Gorelnik provided testimony as a panel of administrative and government experts.

The LC will discuss pertinent newly introduced bills, the status of existing bills, and hear a report on the MSA reauthorization hearings, and provide recommendations.

### **Council Action:**

**Consider the Legislative Committee Report and recommendations.**

### Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item C.4, Attachment 1: Staff Summary of Federal Legislation.
2. If received, public comments are electronic only ([see e-portal](#)).

### Agenda Order:

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| C.4 Legislative Matters   | Mike Burner |
| a. Report of the Legislative Committee  | Dave Hanson |
| b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies                  |             |
| c. Public Comment   |             |
| d. <b>Council Action:</b> Consider Legislative Committee Report and Recommendations |             |