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119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. _____

To reauthorize Regional Ocean Partnerships, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. EZELL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

A BILL

To reauthorize Regional Ocean Partnerships, and for other
purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Regional Ocean Part-
5 nerships Reauthorization Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF REGIONAL OCEAN PART-**
2 **NERSHIPS.**

3 Section 10202 of the James M. Inhofe National De-
4 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (16 U.S.C.
5 1468) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a)(2), by striking “the term
7 ‘Coastal state’ in section” and inserting “the term
8 ‘coastal state’ in section”;

9 (2) in subsection (b)—

10 (A) in paragraph (2)(D), by inserting “or
11 enforcement” after “regulatory”; and

12 (B) in paragraph (3)—

13 (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking
14 “Mexico” and inserting “America”; and

15 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
16 “Vermont,”;

17 (3) in subsection (c)(1), by striking “coastal
18 state” each place it appears and inserting “coastal
19 State”;

20 (4) in subsection (f)(2)(B), by striking “natural
21 and human-induced”;

22 (5) in subsection (g)—

23 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “and
24 not later than 5 years after the date of enact-
25 ment of the Regional Ocean Partnerships Reau-
26 thorization Act,” after “this Act,”; and

1 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “The re-
2 port” and inserting “Each report”; and
3 (6) in subsection (j)—

4 (A) in paragraph (1)—

5 (i) by striking subparagraphs (A),
6 (B), and (C);

7 (ii) by redesignating subparagraphs
8 (D) and (E) as subparagraphs (A) and
9 (B), respectively; and

10 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
11 lowing:

12 “(C) \$10,630,812 for fiscal year 2028.

13 “(D) \$10,743,428 for fiscal year 2029.

14 “(E) \$10,858,296 for fiscal year 2030.

15 “(F) \$10,975,462 for fiscal year 2031.”;

16 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “2023
17 through 2027” and inserting “2026 through
18 2031”; and

19 (C) by adding at the end the following:

20 “(4) FUNDING LIMITATION.—No amounts made
21 available under this subsection may be used by a Re-
22 gional Ocean Partnership, including any Regional
23 Coastal Partnership or Regional Great Lakes Part-
24 nership, to develop any regulatory proposal, model
25 regulation, or compliance program.”.