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To reauthorize and amend the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act, and
for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. YOUNG of Alaska introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

To reauthorize and amend the Hydrographic Services
Improvement Act, 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 “Hydrographic Services
5 Improvement Act Amendments of 2007”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 Section 302 of the Hydrographic Services Improve-
8 ment Act of 1998 (33 U.S.C. 892) is amended—

9 (1) by amending paragraph (3) to read as fol-
10 lows:

1 “(3) HYDROGRAPHIC DATA.—The term ‘hydro-
2 graphic data’ means information that—

3 “(A) is acquired through—

4 “(i) hydrographic, bathymetric, or
5 shoreline surveying;

6 “(ii) geodetic, geospatial, or geo-
7 magnetic measurements;

8 “(iii) tide, water level, and current ob-
9 servations; or

10 “(iv) other methods; and

11 “(B) is used in providing hydrographic
12 services.”;

13 (2) by amending paragraph (4)(A) to read as
14 follows:

15 “(A) the management, maintenance, inter-
16 pretation, certification, and dissemination of
17 bathymetric, hydrographic, shoreline, geodetic,
18 geospatial, geomagnetic, and tide, water level,
19 and current information, including the produc-
20 tion of nautical charts, nautical information
21 databases, and other products derived from hy-
22 drographic data;”;

23 (3) by striking paragraph (5).

1 **SEC. 3. FUNCTIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATOR.**

2 Section 303 of the Hydrographic Services Improve-
3 ment Act of 1998 (33 U.S.C. 892a) is amended—

4 (1) in subsection (a)—

5 (A) by striking “the Act of 1947,” and in-
6 serting “the Coast and Geodetic Survey Act (33
7 U.S.C. 883a et seq.)”; and

8 (B) in paragraph (1) by striking “data;”
9 and inserting “data and provide hydrographic
10 services;”;

11 (2) in subsection (b)—

12 (A) by striking “the Act of 1947,” and in-
13 serting “the Coast and Geodetic Survey Act (33
14 U.S.C. 883a et seq.)”;

15 (B) in paragraph (3) by striking “title IX
16 of the Federal Property and Administrative
17 Services Act of 1949; and” and inserting “sub-
18 chapter VI of chapter 10 of title 40, United
19 States Code;”;

20 (C) in paragraph (4) by striking the period
21 and inserting “; and”; and

22 (D) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(5) may create, support, and maintain a Joint
24 Hydrographic Institute.”; and

25 (3) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the
26 following:

1 “(c) ACQUISITION OF HYDROGRAPHIC DATA AND
2 PROVIDE HYDROGRAPHIC SERVICES.—To the extent that
3 it does not detract from the promotion of safe and efficient
4 navigation, the Administrator may acquire hydrographic
5 data and provide hydrographic services to—

6 “(1) support the conservation and management
7 of coastal and ocean resources;

8 “(2) save and protect life and property;

9 “(3) support the resumption of commerce in re-
10 sponse to emergencies, natural disasters, and man-
11 made disasters, and

12 “(4) meet homeland security and maritime do-
13 main awareness needs, including carrying out mis-
14 sion assignments (as that term is defined in section
15 641 of the Post-Katrina Emergency Management
16 Reform Act of 2006 (6 U.S.C. 741)).”.

17 **SEC. 4. HYDROGRAPHIC SERVICES REVIEW PANEL.**

18 Section 305 of the Hydrographic Services Improve-
19 ment Act of 1998 (33 U.S.C. 892c) is amended—

20 (1) in subsection (c)(1)(A) by striking “Direc-
21 tor” and inserting “Co-directors”;

22 (2) in subsections (c)(1)(C), (c)(3), and (e) by
23 striking “Secretary” each place it appears and in-
24 sserting “Administrator”; and

1 (3) by amending subsection (d) to read as fol-
2 lows:

3 “(d) COMPENSATION.—Voting members of the panel
4 shall be reimbursed for actual and reasonable expenses,
5 including travel and per diem, incurred in the performance
6 of duties for the panel.”.

7 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

8 Section 306 of the Hydrographic Services Improve-
9 ment Act of 1998 (33 U.S.C. 892d) is amended to read
10 as follows:

11 **“SEC. 306. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

12 “There are authorized to be appropriated to the Ad-
13 ministrator the following:

14 “(1) To carry out nautical mapping and chart-
15 ing functions under sections 303 and 304, except for
16 conducting hydrographic surveys—

17 “(A) \$54,000,000 for fiscal year 2008;

18 “(B) \$55,000,000 for fiscal year 2009;

19 “(C) \$56,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;

20 “(D) \$57,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;

21 and

22 “(E) \$58,000,000 for fiscal year 2012.

23 “(2) To contract for hydrographic surveys
24 under section 303(b)(1), including the leasing or
25 time chartering of vessels—

1 “(A) \$31,500,000 for fiscal year 2008;

2 “(B) \$32,130,000 for fiscal year 2009;

3 “(C) \$32,760,000 for fiscal year 2010;

4 “(D) \$33,390,000 for fiscal year 2011;

5 and

6 “(E) \$34,020,000 for fiscal year 2012.

7 “(3) To operate hydrographic survey vessels
8 owned by the United States and operated by the Ad-
9 ministration—

10 “(A) \$25,400,000 for fiscal year 2008;

11 “(B) \$25,900,000 for fiscal year 2009;

12 “(C) \$26,400,000 for fiscal year 2010;

13 “(D) \$26,900,000 for fiscal year 2011;

14 and

15 “(E) \$27,400,000 for fiscal year 2012.

16 “(4) To carry out geodetic functions under this
17 title—

18 “(A) \$32,000,000 for fiscal year 2008;

19 “(B) \$32,640,000 for fiscal year 2009;

20 “(C) \$32,280,000 for fiscal year 2010;

21 “(D) \$33,920,000 for fiscal year 2011;

22 and

23 “(E) \$34,560,000 for fiscal year 2012.

24 “(5) To carry out tide and current measure-
25 ment functions under this title—

1 “(A) \$26,500,000 for fiscal year 2008;
2 “(B) \$27,000,000 for fiscal year 2009;
3 “(C) \$27,500,000 for fiscal year 2010;
4 “(D) \$28,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;
5 and
6 “(E) \$28,500,000 for fiscal year 2012.

7 “(6) To acquire a hydrographic survey vessel
8 capable of staying at sea continuously for at least 30
9 days \$75,000,000.”.

10 **SEC. 6. ADDITION OF SHORT TITLE TO EXISTING LAW.**

11 The Act of August 6, 1947 (chapter 504; 33 U.S.C.
12 883a et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
13 lowing:

14 **“SEC. 11. SHORT TITLE.**

15 “‘This Act may be cited as the ‘Coast and Geodetic
16 Survey Act’.”.

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