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To make improvements in the protection of coastal waters, to enhance implementation of the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act of 1987, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HUGHES (for himself and Mr. PALLONE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries

A BILL

To make improvements in the protection of coastal waters, to enhance implementation of the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act of 1987, 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 “Marine Plastic Pollu-
5 tion Research and Control Act of 1994”.

6 **SEC. 2. POLLUTION FROM SHIPS.**

7 (a) DEFINITION OF OPERATOR.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (B) of section
2 2(a)(5) of the Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships
3 (33 U.S.C. 1901(a)(5)(b)) is amended by striking “,
4 except the owner” and all that follows through the
5 end of the subparagraph and inserting the following:
6 “who by law, lease, contract, or other arrangement,
7 provides a berth at a port or terminal or other moor-
8 ing arrangement for the ship to transfer cargo to or
9 from shore;”.

10 (2) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—Section 6 of
11 such Act (33 U.S.C. 1905) is amended—

12 (A) in subsection (a)—

13 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “a
14 person in charge” and inserting “an opera-
15 tor”; and

16 (ii) in the second sentence of para-
17 graph (2), by striking “Persons in charge”
18 and inserting “Operators”; and

19 (B) in subsection (c)(2), by striking “per-
20 son in charge” and inserting “operator”.

21 (b) PREVENTION OF POLLUTION FROM SHIPS.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 6 of such Act (33
23 U.S.C. 1905) is amended—

24 (A) in subsection (c)—

25 (i) in paragraph (2)—

1 (I) by striking “(2) If” and in-
2 sserting the following: “(2)(A) Subject
3 to subparagraph (B), if”; and

4 (II) by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing new subparagraph:

6 “(B) The Secretary may issue a certificate attesting
7 to the adequacy of reception facilities under this para-
8 graph only if, prior to the issuance of the certificate, the
9 Secretary conducts an inspection of the reception facilities
10 of the port or terminal that is the subject of the certifi-
11 cate.”; and

12 (ii) in paragraph (3), by striking sub-
13 paragraph (A) and inserting the following
14 new subparagraph:

15 “(A) is valid for the 5-year period beginning on
16 the date of issuance of the certificate, except that
17 if—

18 “(i) the charge for operation of the port or
19 terminal is transferred to a person or entity
20 other than the person or entity that is the oper-
21 ator on the date of issuance of the certificate—

22 “(I) the certificate shall expire on the
23 date that is 30 days after the date of the
24 transfer; and

1 “(II) the new operator shall be re-
2 quired to submit an application for a cer-
3 tificate before a certificate may be issued
4 for the port or terminal; or

5 “(ii) the certificate is suspended or revoked
6 by the Secretary, the certificate shall cease to
7 be valid; and”;

8 (B) by striking subsection (d) and insert-
9 ing the following new subsection:

10 “(d)(1) The Secretary shall maintain a list of ports
11 or terminals with respect to which a certificate issued
12 under this section—

13 “(A) is in effect; or

14 “(B) has been revoked or suspended.

15 “(2) The Secretary shall make the list referred to in
16 paragraph (1) available to the general public.”;

17 (C) in subsection (e)—

18 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “Ex-
19 cept in the case” and inserting “Except as
20 provided in paragraph (3) and in the
21 case”;

22 (ii) in paragraph (2), by striking “The
23 Secretary” and inserting “Except as pro-
24 vided in paragraph (3), the Secretary”;
25 and

1 (iii) by adding at the end the follow-
2 ing new paragraph:

3 “(3)(A) Not later than 18 months after the date of
4 enactment of this paragraph, the Secretary shall, by regu-
5 lation, establish a procedure by which the Secretary may
6 assess a civil penalty against the operator of a port or
7 terminal in lieu of denying the entry of a ship to the port
8 or terminal pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2).

9 “(B) The amount of a penalty referred to in subpara-
10 graph (A) shall not exceed the maximum amount allowable
11 per day of violation that the Secretary may assess under
12 this Act.

13 “(C) If a port or terminal remains in violation of an
14 applicable requirement of a regulation referred to in para-
15 graph (1) or (2) on the date that is 30 days after the
16 date on which the Secretary initially determines that the
17 port or terminal is in violation of an applicable require-
18 ment of a regulation, the Secretary shall revoke the certifi-
19 cate of the port or terminal.

20 “(D) In addition to carrying out the duties specified
21 in subparagraphs (A) through (C), not later than 18
22 months after the date of enactment of this paragraph, the
23 Secretary shall develop, and issue regulations for, revoca-
24 tion and reinstatement procedures that the Secretary shall
25 apply in carrying out this paragraph.”;

1 (D) in subsection (f)—

2 (i) by inserting “(1)” before “The
3 Secretary”; and

4 (ii) by adding at the end the following
5 new paragraph:

6 “(2)(A) Not later than 18 months after the date of
7 enactment of this paragraph, the Secretary shall promul-
8 gate regulations that require the operator of each port or
9 terminal that is subject to any requirement of the
10 MARPOL Protocol relating to reception facilities to post
11 a placard in a location that can easily be seen by port
12 and terminal users. The placard shall state, at a mini-
13 mum, that a user of a reception facility of the port or
14 terminal should report to the Secretary any inadequacy
15 of the reception facility.

16 “(B) The Secretary shall promulgate regulations to
17 carry out this paragraph, including specifications for the
18 placards referred to in subparagraph (A).

19 “(C) The Secretary shall make available to the gen-
20 eral public any report received by the Secretary under this
21 paragraph.”; and

22 (E) by adding at the end the following new
23 subsection:

24 “(g) The Secretary shall—

1 “(1) establish a program to ensure that the
2 owner, operator, or person in charge of each port or
3 terminal that is not required to apply for a certifi-
4 cate under this section makes available a reception
5 facility that meets the requirements for reception fa-
6 cilities under the regulations promulgated under
7 subsection (a)(2); and

8 “(2) not later than 2 years after the date of en-
9 actment of this subsection, and every 2 years there-
10 after, submit a report to Congress on Coast Guard
11 activities regarding the ports and terminals de-
12 scribed in paragraph (1).”.

13 (2) REFUSE RECORD BOOKS; WASTE MANAGE-
14 MENT PLANS; NOTIFICATION OF CREW AND PAS-
15 SENGERS.—Section 4(b) of such Act (33 U.S.C.
16 1903(b)) is amended—

17 (A) in paragraph (2), by inserting before
18 subparagraph (A) the following new subpara-
19 graph and redesignating the subsequent sub-
20 paragraphs accordingly:

21 “(A) not later than 1 year after the date of en-
22 actment of the Marine Plastic Pollution Research
23 and Control Act of 1994, issue regulations that re-
24 quire each ship described in section 3(a)(1) of this

1 Act to which the Secretary determines these regula-
2 tions shall apply to—

3 “(i) maintain refuse records (either as part
4 of the log book of the ship or in a separate
5 record book);

6 “(ii) establish shipboard waste manage-
7 ment plans; and

8 “(iii) display a placard and conduct a
9 briefing that notifies the crew and passengers
10 of the ship of the requirements of Annex V of
11 the Convention;”; and

12 (B) by adding at the end the following new
13 paragraph:

14 “(3)(A) The Secretary of Agriculture, acting through
15 the Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspec-
16 tion Service, shall assist the Secretary in carrying out the
17 enforcement of this Act, to the extent that the assistance
18 provided under this subparagraph does not impede the
19 ability of the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the
20 Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection
21 Service, to carry out the functions of the Animal and Plant
22 Health Inspection Service.

23 “(B) The Secretary of Agriculture, in coordination
24 with the Secretary, shall review and revise boarding proce-

1 dures of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
2 to improve the enforcement of this Act.

3 “(C) The review and revision of the boarding proce-
4 dures referred to in subparagraph (B) shall include—

5 “(i) a revision of any boarding forms used by
6 the Secretary (including adding questions) to provide
7 information in sufficient detail to enable the Sec-
8 retary to adequately enforce this Act;

9 “(ii) the coordination of efforts of inspectors of
10 the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service to
11 facilitate the tracking of ships suspected to be in vio-
12 lation of this Act from port to port;

13 “(iii) the coordination of the inspection activi-
14 ties of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection
15 Service with the animal and plant inspection activi-
16 ties of the Coast Guard, to ensure that any violation
17 of this Act may be easily determined, and that an
18 appropriate penalty is assessed for the violation; and

19 “(iv) methods for using inspectors of the Ani-
20 mal and Plant Health Inspection Service to deter-
21 mine compliance with the regulations promulgated
22 under section 6(a)(2).”.

23 (3) SIZE AND USE.—Section 3(a) of such Act
24 (33 U.S.C. 1902(a)) is amended—

1 (A) in paragraph (3), by striking “and” at
2 the end;

3 (B) in paragraph (4), by striking the pe-
4 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

5 (C) by adding at the end the following new
6 paragraph:

7 “(5) with respect to section 4(b)(2)(A)—

8 “(A) to—

9 “(i) a manned oceangoing United
10 States ship of 40 feet or more in length
11 that is engaged in commerce and is docu-
12 mented under the laws of the United
13 States or numbered by a State; and

14 “(ii) a manned fixed or floating plat-
15 form subject to the jurisdiction of the
16 United States, or operated under the au-
17 thority of the United States, wherever lo-
18 cated; and

19 “(B) to any other ship of a size and use
20 specified by the Secretary not later than 18
21 months after the date of enactment of this
22 paragraph.”.

23 (4) PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS.—Section 9 of
24 such Act (33 U.S.C. 1908) is amended—

1 (A) by redesignating subsections (c)
2 through (f) as subsections (d) through (g), re-
3 spectively;

4 (B) by inserting after subsection (b) the
5 following new subsection:

6 “(c)(1) If an appropriate official of the Coast Guard
7 determines that a ship does not comply with a requirement
8 established under section 4 relating to the maintenance
9 of refuse records, the posting of a placard, the briefing
10 of a crew and passengers, or the implementation of a
11 waste management plan, the official may issue a citation
12 for the violation that requires a civil penalty, in an amount
13 determined pursuant to this section, to be payable not
14 later than 30 days after the issuance of the citation, unless
15 by such date, the recipient of the citation submits a writ-
16 ten request for a hearing on the assessment of the civil
17 penalty pursuant to the citation.

18 “(2) A citation for a violation that requires a civil
19 penalty may be issued by the appropriate Coast Guard of-
20 ficial if, on the inspection of a ship, an appropriate official
21 of the Coast Guard determines that—

22 “(A) the person in charge of the ship has no re-
23 ceipts documenting—

24 “(i) the disposal of garbage; or

1 “(ii) in any case in which an incinerator is
2 on board the ship, the disposal of plastic resi-
3 due, if any, from the incinerator;

4 “(B) there is no incinerator on board the ship;
5 or

6 “(C) the quantity of plastic waste materials on
7 board the ship is too small with respect to the quan-
8 tity of plastic waste materials estimated to have
9 been generated on board the ship (on the basis of
10 documentation from the last legal disposal of plastic
11 waste materials from the ship).

12 “(3) Not later than 30 days after the issuance of a
13 citation pursuant to paragraph (2), the recipient of the
14 citation shall either—

15 “(A) pay the amount of the civil penalty; or

16 “(B) submit a written request for a hearing on
17 the assessment of the civil penalty.

18 “(4) The Secretary shall consult with the Secretary
19 of Agriculture to ensure that the record in a log book of
20 the disposal of waste materials alone may not, for the pur-
21 poses of this subsection, constitute proof of legal disposal
22 of waste materials.”; and

23 (C) in subsection (g), as redesignated by
24 paragraph (1)—

1 (i) by inserting “(1)” before “Not-
2 withstanding”;

3 (ii) by striking “or (d)” and inserting
4 “or (e)”; and

5 (iii) by adding at the end the follow-
6 ing new paragraphs:

7 “(2) If the Secretary—

8 (A) conducts an investigation and refers a
9 matter pursuant to paragraph (1) to the appropriate
10 official of a foreign country that is a party to the
11 MARPOL Protocol relating to a violation or sus-
12 pected violation by an owner, operator, or person in
13 charge of a ship that is registered in the foreign
14 country of a requirement of the MARPOL Protocol;
15 and

16 (B) the official of the foreign country does not
17 provide a response that the Secretary determines ap-
18 propriate;

19 paragraph (3) shall apply.

20 “(3) If the conditions referred to in subparagraphs
21 (A) and (B) of paragraph (2) are met, the Secretary of
22 the Treasury, on the request of the Secretary, may, with
23 respect to the ship referred to in paragraph (2), refuse
24 or revoke—

1 “(A) a permit to proceed under section 4367 of
2 the Revised Statutes (46 U.S.C. App. 313); or

3 “(B) a permit to depart (as required under sec-
4 tion 443 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C.
5 1443));

6 whichever is applicable.

7 “(4) The Secretary shall, not later than 1 year after
8 the date of enactment of this paragraph, and annually
9 thereafter, publish a list of any referral described in para-
10 graph (1) including, with respect to each referral—

11 “(A) the date of transmittal; and

12 “(B) the date and nature of any response by
13 the appropriate official of the foreign country to
14 whom the referral is sent.”.

15 (5) SHIP INSPECTIONS; REPORTS TO SEC-
16 RETARY.—Section 8(c) of such Act (33 U.S.C.
17 1907(c)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
18 lowing new paragraphs:

19 “(3)(A) The Secretary shall make available to the
20 public a toll-free telephone number for reporting violations
21 of the MARPOL Protocol and this Act.

22 “(B) In carrying out this paragraph, the Secretary
23 may—

24 “(i) enter into a cooperative agreement with the
25 appropriate official of the National Response Center

1 to use the telephone reporting service of the Center
2 to provide for the reporting of the violations referred
3 to in subparagraph (A) under the telephone report-
4 ing service; or

5 “(ii) establish a separate telephone reporting
6 system.

7 “(C) The Secretary shall report to Congress annually
8 on the effectiveness of the toll-free telephone reporting
9 system. Each report shall include—

10 “(i) the number and types of referral calls re-
11 lated to Annex V of the MARPOL Protocol received;
12 and

13 “(ii) information regarding any investigations
14 conducted and enforcement actions taken in re-
15 sponse to a call described in clause (i).

16 “(4) On receipt of a report from an appropriate offi-
17 cial of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
18 of the Department of Agriculture of a ship in violation
19 of this Act, the Secretary shall take such action as is nec-
20 essary to ensure a followup inspection of the ship.”.

21 (6) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
22 11(a)(3) of such Act (33 U.S.C. 1910(a)(3)) is
23 amended by striking “section 9(e)” and inserting
24 “section 9(f)”.

1 (c) MARINE PLASTIC POLLUTION RESEARCH AND
2 CONTROL.—

3 (1) COMPLIANCE REPORTS.—Section 2201(a) of
4 the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control
5 Act of 1987 (Public Law 100–220; 33 U.S.C. 1902
6 note) is amended—

7 (A) by striking “for a period of 6 years”;
8 and

9 (B) by inserting before the period at the
10 end the following: “and, not later than 1 year
11 after the date of enactment of the Marine Plas-
12 tic Pollution Research and Control Act of 1994,
13 and annually thereafter, shall publish in the
14 Federal Register a list of the enforcement ac-
15 tions taken against any domestic or foreign ship
16 (including any commercial or recreational ship)
17 pursuant to the Act to Prevent Pollution from
18 Ships (33 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.)”.

19 (2) PUBLIC OUTREACH PROGRAM.—Section
20 2204(a) of such Act (Public Law 100–220; 42
21 U.S.C. 6981 note) is amended—

22 (A) in paragraph (1)—

23 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
24 graph (A), by striking “for a period of at
25 least 3 years,”;

1 (ii) in subparagraph (C), by striking
2 “and” at the end;

3 (iii) in subparagraph (D), by striking
4 the period at the end and inserting “;
5 and”; and

6 (iv) by adding at the end the following
7 new subparagraph:

8 “(E) the requirements under this Act and
9 the Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships (33
10 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.) with respect to ships and
11 ports, and the authority of citizens to report
12 violations of this Act and the Act to Prevent
13 Pollution from Ships (33 U.S.C. 1901 et
14 seq.).”; and

15 (B) by striking paragraph (2) and insert-
16 ing the following new paragraph:

17 “(2) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.—

18 “(A) PUBLIC OUTREACH PROGRAM.—A
19 public outreach program under paragraph (1)
20 may include—

21 “(i) developing and implementing a
22 voluntary boaters’ pledge program;

23 “(ii) workshops with interested
24 groups;

25 “(iii) public service announcements;

1 “(iv) distribution of leaflets and post-
2 ers; and

3 “(v) any other means appropriate to
4 educating the public.

5 “(B) CONSULTATION.—In developing out-
6 reach initiatives targeted at the interested
7 groups that are subject to the requirements of
8 this title and the Act to Prevent Pollution from
9 Ships (33 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.), the Secretary
10 of the department in which the Coast Guard is
11 operating, in consultation with the Secretary of
12 Commerce, acting through the Administrator of
13 the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Admin-
14 istration, and the Administrator of the Environ-
15 mental Protection Agency, shall consult with—

16 “(i) the heads of State agencies re-
17 sponsible for implementing State boating
18 laws; and

19 “(ii) the heads of other enforcement
20 agencies that regulate boaters or commer-
21 cial fishermen.

22 “(C) GRANTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREE-
23 MENTS.—To carry out this section, the Sec-
24 retary of the department in which the Coast
25 Guard is operating, the Secretary of Commerce,

1 and the Administrator of the Environmental
2 Protection Agency are authorized to award
3 grants, enter into cooperative agreements with
4 appropriate officials of other Federal agencies
5 and agencies of States and political subdivisions
6 of States, and provide other financial assistance
7 to eligible recipients.”.

8 (3) MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.—

9 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Marine Plastic
10 Pollution Research and Control Act of 1987
11 (Public Law 100–220) is amended by adding at
12 the end the following new subtitle:

13 **“Subtitle D—Miscellaneous**
14 **Provisions**

15 **“SEC. 2401. APPLICABILITY OF WHISTLE BLOWER PROVI-**
16 **SIONS.**

17 “Section 2302 of title 5, United States Code, shall
18 apply to any employee of the Department of Transpor-
19 tation, the Department of Defense, or the Department of
20 Agriculture, as described in subsection (a)(2)(B) of such
21 section, who carries out any requirement of this Act or
22 the Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships (33 U.S.C. 1901
23 et seq.).

1 **“SEC. 2402. REPORTS TO CONGRESS.**

2 “If the Secretary of the department in which the
3 Coast Guard is operating fails to meet a deadline specified
4 in this Act or the Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships
5 (33 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.), the Secretary shall submit a
6 written report to Congress that explains the reasons for
7 the failure.

8 **“SEC. 2403. WASTE MANAGEMENT STUDY.**

9 “Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment
10 of this subtitle, the Secretary of the department in which
11 the Coast Guard is operating, in consultation with the Ad-
12 ministrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, shall
13 submit to Congress a written report that identifies poten-
14 tial improvements of the waste management practices at
15 port facilities. The study shall—

16 “(1) characterize wastes as a function of the
17 type, size, number of crew and passengers, and
18 length of voyage of ships;

19 “(2) identify incentives to promote onboard
20 waste management practices on ships, including the
21 use of source reduction, reuse and recycling strate-
22 gies, incinerators, compactors, pulpers, and shred-
23 ders;

24 “(3) recommend organizational and business
25 processes required to establish effective and efficient
26 waste management programs, including the design

1 of the roles and responsibilities of all entities in-
2 volved (including ports and terminals) that would
3 improve the management of shipborne waste; and

4 “(4) investigate positive incentives to including
5 the use of port reception facilities, including poten-
6 tially prohibiting separate fees for waste disposal.

7 **“SEC. 2404. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING INSURANCE.**

8 “It is the sense of Congress that—

9 “(1) certain insurance policies or rules of pro-
10 tection and indemnity clubs that provide insurance
11 for shippers should not provide for the payment of
12 a penalty under the Act to Prevent Pollution from
13 Ships (33 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.); and

14 “(2) the Secretary of the department in which
15 the Coast Guard is operating, acting through the
16 Commandant of the Coast Guard, should consult
17 with the International Maritime Organization to
18 seek to establish international standards prohibiting
19 the issuance of a contract of insurance for the sale
20 of a policy that would provide for the payment of
21 any penalty under the MARPOL Protocol (as de-
22 fined in section 2(a) of the Act to Prevent Pollution
23 from Ships (33 U.S.C. 1901(a))) to carry out the
24 MARPOL Protocol.

1 **“SEC. 2405. NOTICE OF ARRIVAL.**

2 “The owner, master, agent, or person in charge of
3 a vessel shall include in the notice of arrival required to
4 be submitted to the Captain of the Port of the port or
5 place of destination pursuant to the Ports and Waterways
6 Safety Act (33 U.S.C. 1221 et seq.) information concern-
7 ing the intention of the owner, master, or person in charge
8 of the vessel with respect to the disposal of onboard waste
9 at the port or place of destination.

10 **“SEC. 2406. COORDINATION.**

11 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF MARINE DEBRIS COORDI-
12 NATING COMMITTEE.—The Administrator of the Environ-
13 mental Protection Agency shall establish a Marine Debris
14 Coordinating Committee (referred to in this section as the
15 ‘Committee’).

16 “(b) MEMBERSHIP.—The Committee shall include a
17 senior official from—

18 “(1) the Environmental Protection Agency, who
19 shall serve as the Chairperson of the Committee;

20 “(2) the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Ad-
21 ministration;

22 “(3) the United States Coast Guard;

23 “(4) the United States Navy; and

24 “(5) such other Federal agencies that have an
25 interest in ocean issues or water pollution prevention

1 and control as the Administrator of the Environ-
2 mental Protection Agency determines appropriate.

3 “(c) MEETINGS.—The Committee shall meet at least
4 twice a year to provide a forum to ensure the coordination
5 of national and international research, monitoring, edu-
6 cation, and regulatory actions addressing the persistent
7 marine debris problem.

8 **“SEC. 2407. MONITORING.**

9 “The Administrator of the Environmental Protection
10 Agency, in cooperation with the Secretary of Commerce,
11 acting through the Administrator of the National Oceanic
12 and Atmospheric Administration, shall utilize the marine
13 debris data derived under title V of the Marine Protection,
14 Research, and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. 2801
15 et seq.) to assist the United States Coast Guard in assess-
16 ing the effectiveness of this Act.”.

17 (B) AMENDMENTS TO TABLE OF CON-
18 TENTS.—The table of contents in section 2 of
19 the United States-Japan Fishery Agreement
20 Approval Act of 1987 (101 Stat. 1458) is
21 amended by adding at the end of the items re-
22 lating to title II of such Act the following new
23 items:

“Subtitle D—Miscellaneous Provisions

“Sec. 2401. Applicability of whistle blower provisions.

“Sec. 2402. Reports to Congress.

“Sec. 2403. Waste management study.

“Sec. 2404. Sense of Congress regarding insurance.

“Sec. 2405. Notice of arrival.

“Sec. 2406. Coordination.

“Sec. 2407. Monitoring.”.

1 SEC. 3. REGIONAL MARINE RESEARCH.

2 Section 407(a) of the Marine Protection, Research,
3 and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1447f(a)) is
4 amended by striking “1996” and inserting “2000”.

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