

Act through Fiscal year 2005, which encourages and assists states in the management of important recreational and commercial fisheries along the Atlantic Coast from Maine to Florida, such as the all important striped bass, summer flounder, and bluefish.

The third bill creates the John H. Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Grant Program as well as authorizes a study on the unusual high mortality rates of eastern gray whale population along our Pacific coast.

Specifically, the Prescott grant program will fill a void under Title IV of the Marine Mammal Protection Act by making a small, but critical amount of money available through a competitive grant process to help cover a portion of the costs associated with day-to-day stranding events. I believe it is very important we demonstrate our support and appreciation for the efforts of all those people along our coasts who help our government agencies assist in the rescue, recovery and rehabilitation of stranded marine mammals.

I urge an "aye" vote.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Alaska (Mr. YOUNG) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2903, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The title of the bill was amended so as to read:

"A bill to reauthorize the Striped Bass Conservation Act, and for other purposes."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

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FORT MATANZAS NATIONAL MONUMENT BOUNDARY REVISION

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill (S. 1670) to revise the boundary of Fort Matanzas National Monument, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read as follows:

S. 1670

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) MAP.—The term "Map" means the map entitled "Fort Matanzas National Monument", numbered 347/80,004 and dated February, 1991.

(2) MONUMENT.—The term "Monument" means the Fort Matanzas National Monument in Florida.

(3) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 2. REVISION OF BOUNDARY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The boundary of the Monument is revised to include an area totaling approximately 70 acres, as generally depicted on the Map.

(b) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The Map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Director of the National Park Service.

SEC. 3. ACQUISITION OF ADDITIONAL LAND.

The Secretary may acquire any land, water, or interests in land that are located within the revised boundary of the Monument by—

- (1) donation;
- (2) purchase with donated or appropriated funds;
- (3) transfer from any other Federal agency; or
- (4) exchange.

SEC. 4. ADMINISTRATION.

Subject to applicable laws, all land and interests in land held by the United States that are included in the revised boundary under section 2 shall be administered by the Secretary as part of the Monument.

SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Alaska (Mr. YOUNG) and the gentleman from California (Mr. GEORGE MILLER) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Alaska (Mr. YOUNG).

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, S. 1670 will expand the boundary of Fort Matanzas National Monument in the State of Florida by approximately 70 acres. The monument was established by Presidential Proclamation in 1924 under the Antiquities Act. The two tracts of land, which are adjacent to the monument boundary, were donated to the United States in the mid-1960s. A third tract of land comprising 1.6 acres was erroneously omitted from the legal description of the monument at the time of its creation. However, it has been managed as part of the monument despite the fact that the United States does not hold title, although the local tax assessor regards it as Federal property. S. 1670 will expand the monument boundaries to include these three parcels. I urge support of the bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

(Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of S. 1670 by Senator GRAMM and the gentlewoman from Florida (Mrs. FOWLER). I urge the House to support this measure.

S. 1670 is an Administration proposed, introduced by Senator GRAHAM, to expand the boundary of Ft. Matanzas National Monument in Florida by including three tracts of land totaling approximately 70 acres.

Two of the tracts of land, which are located adjacent to the National Monument, were donated to the United States in the mid-1960s. However, no legislative authority existed at the time to include these properties in the Monument boundary, nor was any effort made since then to do so.

The third tract of 1.6 acres has been administered as part of the National Monument but is not technically within the boundary.

This noncontroversial bill passed the Senate on October 5, 2000. It is supported in the House by Representative FOWLER, who has introduced a House companion measure (H.R. 3200).

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Alaska (Mr. YOUNG) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 1670.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

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GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 2903 and S. 1670.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Alaska?

There was no objection.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will now put the question on each de novo motion to suspend the rules on which further proceedings were postponed on Monday, October 30, 2000 in the order in which that motion was entertained.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 1653;

H.R. 4020;

S. 2020; and

Concur in Senate amendment to H.R. 2462.

Proceedings on House Concurrent Resolution 397, on which the yeas and nays were ordered, will resume tomorrow.

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PRIBILOF ISLANDS TRANSITION ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 1653, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Alaska (Mr. YOUNG) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1653, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.