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and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Maryland) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

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the Coast Guard, 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. REPORT ON EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON**
4 **COAST GUARD.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the
6 date of the enactment of this Act, the Commandant of
7 the Coast Guard shall submit to the Committee on Trans-
8 portation and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-
9 tives and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
10 Transportation of the Senate a report on vulnerabilities

1 of Coast Guard installations and requirements resulting
2 from climate change over the next 20 years.

3 (b) ELEMENTS.—The report under subsection (a)
4 shall include the following:

5 (1) A list of the ten most vulnerable Coast
6 Guard installations based on the effects of climate
7 change, including rising sea tides, increased flooding,
8 drought, desertification, wildfires, thawing perma-
9 frost, or any other categories the Commandant de-
10 termines necessary.

11 (2) An overview of mitigations that may be nec-
12 essary to ensure the continued operational viability
13 and to increase the resiliency of such vulnerable in-
14 stallations and the cost of such mitigations.

15 (3) A discussion of the climate-change-related
16 effects on the Coast Guard, including the increase in
17 the frequency of humanitarian assistance and dis-
18 aster relief missions and the campaign plans, contin-
19 gency plans, and operational posture of the Coast
20 Guard.

21 (4) An overview of mitigations that may be nec-
22 essary to ensure mission resiliency and the cost of
23 such mitigations.

- 1 (c) FORM.—The report required under subsection (a)
- 2 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may contain
- 3 a classified annex.

