

across the entire ecosystem, from marine mammals, to fish, to plankton.

In addition to being harmful in its own right, seismic blasting is a key step towards this administration's ultimate goal: bringing drilling rigs to the South Carolina coast and elsewhere up and down the Atlantic seaboard.

Offshore drilling activities anywhere in the Atlantic Ocean are a threat to hardworking Americans, coastal economies, and abundant marine life. And communities up and down the coast have made it very clear where they stand on this issue. They don't want drilling off their coasts and they don't want seismic exploration for oil and gas resources.

My amendment to the Commerce-Justice-Science appropriations bill can help protect the Atlantic Coast from a future of expanded offshore drilling and unnecessary, unwanted seismic testing.

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

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. CUNNINGHAM).

The amendment was agreed to.

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AMENDMENT NO. 58 OFFERED BY MR. CUNNINGHAM

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 58 printed in part B of House Report 116-119.

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Mr. Chair, as the designee of Mr. MOULTON, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Page 14, line 3, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,500,000)".

Page 14, line 14, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,500,000)".

Page 14, line 15, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,500,000)".

Page 24, line 6, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,500,000)".

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 445, the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. CUNNINGHAM) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from South Carolina.

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Mr. Chair, I rise again because there is no time to waste when it comes to protecting the North Atlantic right whale, a species whose calving and migratory grounds are right off the coast of my district.

By even the most generous estimates, there are fewer than 420 right whales left in the ocean. Without immediate Federal action, the right whale could become extinct in the next two decades.

Humans have killed nearly every right whale in existence through our direct and indirect actions over the past two centuries.

Today we are at a crossroads. We have a choice. We can be the generation that saves the right whale or the generation that allows their extinc-

tion. We can act right now by adopting this amendment. It will provide targeted investments so we can better understand how both right whales and East Coast economies can thrive.

This is a unique opportunity. Few people in the history of the Earth have had the ability to help a species survive. In fact, the opposite is true. From the passenger pigeon to the western black rhinoceros, humans have driven the extinction of iconic species through centuries of choices.

It is a choice to hunt the right whale to near extinction. It is a choice to jeopardize the right whale by drilling off our coast or harmful seismic air gun blasting. And tonight it is a choice to protect the right whale and the hundreds of thousands of jobs up and down the East Coast that rely on the healthy ecosystem that the right whale creates.

Let's be the generation of leaders that chooses to bring the right whale back from the brink.

Mr. Chair, I thank my colleagues for their support on this issue. I want to single out my friend from across the aisle Mr. RUTHERFORD, as well as Mr. HUFFMAN and Mr. GRIJALVA for their leadership on this issue at the Natural Resources Committee. I also want to thank Mr. MOULTON for the opportunity to offer this amendment.

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

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. CUNNINGHAM).

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Chair, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CARTWRIGHT) having assumed the chair, Mr. PHILLIPS, Acting Chair of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3055) making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

REPORT ON H.R. 3351, FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS BILL, 2020

Mr. SERRANO, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 116-122) on the bill (H.R. 3351) making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes, which was referred to the Union Calendar and ordered to be printed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1, rule XXI, all points of order are reserved on the bill.

HOURLY OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow for morning-hour debate and 10 a.m. for legislative business.

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

There was no objection.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 50 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, June 20, 2019, at 9 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

NOTICE OF ADOPTED RULEMAKING

U.S. CONGRESS, OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL WORKPLACE RIGHTS,
June 19, 2019, Washington, DC.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Section 303 of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (CAA), 2 U.S.C. 1383, requires that, with regard to the amendment of the rules governing the procedures of the Office, the Executive Director "shall, subject to the approval of the Board [of Directors], adopt rules governing the procedures of the Office" and "[u]pon adopting rules . . . shall transmit notice of such action together with a copy of such rules to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate for publication in the Congressional Record on the first day of which both Houses are in session following such transmittal."

Having published a general notice of proposed rulemaking in the Congressional Record on April 9, 2019, provided a comment period of at least 30 days after publication of such notice, and obtained the approval of the Board of Directors for the adoption of these rules as required by sections 303(a) and (b) of the CAA, 2 U.S.C. 1383(a) and (b), I am transmitting the attached amendments to the Procedural Rules of the Office of Congressional Workplace Rights to the Speaker of the House of Representatives for publication in the House of Representatives section of the Congressional Record on the first day on which both Houses are in session following the receipt of this transmittal. In accordance with section 303(b) of the CAA, these amendments to the Procedural Rules shall be considered issued by the Executive Director and in effect as of the date on which they are published in the Congressional Record. Any inquiries regarding this notice should be addressed to Susan Tsui Grundmann, Executive Director of the Office of Congressional Workplace Rights, Room LA-200, 110 2nd Street, SE, Washington, DC 20540.

Sincerely,
SUSAN TSUI GRUNDMANN,
Executive Director,
Office of Congressional Workplace Rights.