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H. R. 2761

To transfer certain offices of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to the Department of the Interior, and to transfer coastal assessment, science, and management components of the National Ocean Service of that Administration to the Department of Environmental Protection.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 27, 1993

Mrs. UNSOELD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries

A BILL

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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 “Ocean and Coastal
5 Management Improvement Act of 1993”.

1 **SEC. 2. TRANSFER OF OFFICES OF NATIONAL OCEANIC**
2 **AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION TO DE-**
3 **PARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.**

4 (a) TRANSFER OF OFFICES.—There are transferred
5 to the Department of the Interior the following offices and
6 assets of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Adminis-
7 tration:

8 (1) The National Ocean Service, other than the
9 components of that Service transferred under section
10 3.

11 (2) The National Marine Fisheries Service.

12 (3) The Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Re-
13 search.

14 (4) The fleet of research and survey vessels.

15 (5) The National Oceanic and Atmospheric
16 Corps.

17 (b) TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS.—The functions that,
18 on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act,
19 were performed by an individual in their capacity as an
20 officer or employee of an office transferred by subsection
21 (a) are transferred to the Secretary of the Interior.

22 (c) DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS.—The Secretary of
23 the Interior shall delegate functions transferred by sub-
24 section (b) as follows:

25 (1) The functions relating to the national ma-
26 rine sanctuaries program performed by the National

1 Ocean Service shall be delegated to the Director of
2 the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

3 (2) The functions relating to mapping, chart-
4 ing, and geodesy performed by the National Ocean
5 Service shall be delegated to the Director of the Geo-
6 logical Survey.

7 (3) The functions performed by the National
8 Marine Fisheries Service shall be delegated to the
9 Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife
10 Service.

11 (4) To the Director of the Biological Survey,
12 the following functions: