

116TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 7657

To amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1996 with respect to anadromous fish habitat and passage, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 16, 2020

Ms. SCHRIER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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. AQUATIC ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION FOR**
4 **ANADROMOUS FISH.**

5 (a) ANADROMOUS FISH HABITAT AND PASSAGE.—

6 Section 206 of the Water Resources Development Act of
7 1996 (33 U.S.C. 2330) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the
2 following:

3 “(3) ANADROMOUS FISH HABITAT AND PAS-
4 SAGE.—

5 “(A) MEASURES.—A project under this
6 section may include measures to improve habi-
7 tat or passage for anadromous fish, including—

8 “(i) installing fish bypass structures
9 on small water diversions;

10 “(ii) modifying tide gates; and

11 “(iii) restoring or reconnecting
12 floodplains and wetlands that are impor-
13 tant for anadromous fish habitat or pas-
14 sage.

15 “(B) BENEFITS.—A project that includes
16 measures under this paragraph shall be formu-
17 lated to maximize benefits for the anadromous
18 fish species benefitted by the project.”; and

19 (2) by adding at the end the following:

20 “(g) PRIORITIZATION.—The Secretary shall give
21 projects that include measures described in subsection
22 (a)(3) equal priority for implementation as other projects
23 under this section.”.

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