

In the House of Representatives, U. S.,

December 3, 2020.

Resolved, That the bill from the Senate (S. 1342) entitled “An Act to require the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere to update periodically the environmental sensitivity index products of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for each coastal area of the Great Lakes, and for other purposes.”, do pass with the following

AMENDMENT:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

1 ***SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.***

2 *This Act may be cited as the “Great Lakes Environ-*
3 *mental Sensitivity Index Act of 2020”.*

4 ***SEC. 2. UPDATE TO ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITY INDEX***

5 ***PRODUCTS OF NATIONAL OCEANIC AND AT-***
6 ***MOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION FOR GREAT***
7 ***LAKES.***

8 *(a) UPDATE REQUIRED FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SENSI-*
9 *TIVITY INDEX PRODUCTS FOR GREAT LAKES.—Not later*
10 *than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,*
11 *the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere shall com-*
12 *mence updating the environmental sensitivity index prod-*
13 *ucts of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administra-*
14 *tion for each coastal area of the Great Lakes.*

1 **(b) PERIODIC UPDATES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SENSI-**
 2 **TIVITY INDEX PRODUCTS GENERALLY.**—Subject to the
 3 availability of appropriations and the priorities set forth
 4 in subsection (c), the Under Secretary shall—

5 (1) periodically update the environmental sensi-
 6 tivity index products of the Administration; and

7 (2) endeavor to do so not less frequently than
 8 once every 7 years.

9 **(c) PRIORITIES.**—When prioritizing geographic areas
 10 to update environmental sensitivity index products, the
 11 Under Secretary shall consider—

12 (1) the age of existing environmental sensitivity
 13 index products for the areas;

14 (2) the occurrence of extreme events, be it natural
 15 or man-made, which have significantly altered the
 16 shoreline or ecosystem since the last update;

17 (3) the natural variability of shoreline and
 18 coastal environment; and

19 (4) the volume of vessel traffic and general vul-
 20 nerability to spilled pollutants.

21 **(d) ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITY INDEX PRODUCT**
 22 **DEFINED.**—In this section, the term “environmental sensi-
 23 tivity index product” means a map or similar tool that
 24 is utilized to identify sensitive shoreline, coastal or offshore,
 25 resources prior to an oil spill event in order to set baseline

1 *priorities for protection and plan cleanup strategies, typi-*
2 *cally including information relating to shoreline type, bio-*
3 *logical resources, and human use resources.*

4 *(e) FUNDING.—Funds to carry out the activities under*
5 *this section shall be derived from amounts authorized to be*
6 *appropriated for the Under Secretary that are enacted after*
7 *the date of the enactment of this Act.*

Attest:

Clerk.

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