

105TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 4423

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 6, 1998

Mr. PAUL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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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. GULF OF MEXICO RED SNAPPER FISHERY MAN-**  
4       **AGEMENT.**

5       (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 407 of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16

1 U.S.C. 1883(c)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
2 lowing:

3       “(e) MANAGEMENT PRIOR TO REFERENDA.—The  
4 red snapper fishery in the Gulf of Mexico shall be man-  
5 aged in accordance with such fishery management plans,  
6 regulations, and other conservation and management as  
7 applied to that fishery on April 13, 1998, except as may  
8 be otherwise provided in a fishery management plan, plan  
9 amendment, or regulation submitted and approved in ac-  
10 cordance with this section after the date of enactment of  
11 this subsection.”.

12       (b) REGULATIONS OF NO FORCE OR EFFECT.—Reg-  
13 ulations relating to the red snapper fishery in the Gulf  
14 of Mexico that were published by the National Marine  
15 Fisheries Service in the Federal Register on April 14,  
16 1998 (63 Fed. Reg. 18144), shall have no force or effect.

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