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S. 3646

To authorize an additional period of beach nourishment for a certain Corps of Engineers project, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 14, 2022

Mr. OSSOFF (for himself and Mr. WARNOCK) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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 “Tybee Island Storm
5 Risk Management Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds that—

8 (1) Tybee Island, Georgia, has been one of the
9 most prominent tourist destinations in the State of
10 Georgia since the 1870s;

1 (2) Tybee Island is the most densely developed
2 barrier island in the State of Georgia and has expe-
3 rienced 10 inches of sea-level rise since 1935;

4 (3) according to a 2016 report funded by the
5 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration,
6 Tybee Island, Georgia, is a “national leader in cli-
7 mate adaptation planning and coastal resilience”;
8 and

9 (4) the beach nourishment project referred to in
10 section 3 is critical to protecting Tybee Island, Geor-
11 gia, from sea level rise, storm surge, coastal flood-
12 ing, and related climate change impacts.

13 **SEC. 3. TYBEE ISLAND, GEORGIA.**

14 Notwithstanding the time limitation under section
15 156(a) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1976
16 (42 U.S.C. 1962d–5f(a)), the Secretary of the Army may
17 continue periodic beach nourishment for the project for
18 coastal storm risk management, Tybee Island, Georgia,
19 authorized by section 201 of the Flood Control Act of
20 1965 (42 U.S.C. 1962d–5), for an additional period of 50
21 years, beginning on the day after the last day of the final
22 period of periodic nourishment for the project authorized
23 before the date of enactment of this Act.

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