

Mr. Speaker, this bill, H.R. 2560, Mr. KEATING's Sea Turtle Rescue Assistance and Rehabilitation Act, would establish a Federal grant program to support response and rehabilitation efforts for federally protected endangered sea turtles.

As my colleague across the aisle mentioned, all six of the species of sea turtles in the U.S. are either threatened or endangered, and human activities, such as urban development, accidental capture, vessel strikes, and marine debris entanglement, are causing increasing sea turtle strandings. A stranded sea turtle is defined as one that has been found either dead or still alive but unable to go about its normal behavior due to injury or illness.

As a result of more frequent stranding events, the Sea Turtle Stranding and Salvage Network was created. This is a coalition of 50 Federal, State, and private partners that responds to stranded sea turtles and collects information to help us better protect and ultimately save them.

Now, NOAA Fisheries oversees the coordination of this network, but it is the dedicated local organizations that actively respond to stranded turtles. They gather crucial scientific data, facilitate the transportation of sick and injured turtles to rehabilitation centers, and play a pivotal role in educating the public about the importance of sea turtle conservation. I am pleased that we are here today supporting these efforts.

The legislation before us would create a grant program that funds the recovery, care, and treatment of stranded marine turtles, as well as the collection of stranding data for scientific research and facility operating costs.

This act is a step in the right direction for our national efforts to recover our endangered sea turtle populations, and I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. TIFFANY. Mr. Speaker, I have no requests for time and am prepared to close. I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. KEATING), the author of this important legislation, a champion of sea turtle conservation, and a Representative from the other national seashore. I represent the great Point Reyes National Seashore on the West Coast, and Mr. KEATING represents our East Coast brother seashore, sister seashore in Cape Cod.

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. TIFFANY) for his support, the gentleman from Florida (Mrs. LUNA), and the gentleman from California (Mr. HUFFMAN) for his great support on this and so many other issues we work on together.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 2560, the Sea Turtle Rescue As-

sistance and Rehabilitation Act of 2023. This bill is an important piece of legislation that, for the first time, provides assistance to many organizations that work to ensure the continued survival of endangered sea turtle populations in the United States.

Every species of sea turtle in the United States today is considered either threatened or endangered—every single one.

In my region, warming waters in the North Atlantic have wreaked havoc with the annual migration of sea turtles. Changing conditions are causing many sea turtles to become cold-stunned as they depart Cape Cod Bay in the fall during their southern migration. Having become hyperthermic, these turtles eventually wash ashore on our beaches, and sadly, they perish from exposure and predation. They perish at a rate of nearly 100 percent.

There has been a sudden, shocking change in the incidence of this mortality. As the temperatures in the ocean have vacillated and gotten colder, within the 2-year period of 2020 to 2022, the amount of mortality has increased twentyfold, a dramatic increase in just a short period of time.

Further, sea turtles face threats from entanglement and ingestion of marine debris, from which, nationally, there were more than 7,000 instances just in the year of 2022.

This isn't just about my region. This legislation is supported by 72 different organizations in 27 different States, and it is bipartisan in nature. The Sea Turtle Rescue Assistance and Rehabilitation Act will provide resources to the Sea Turtle Stranding and Salvage Network, a consortium of numerous aquariums and not-for-profit organizations that work together to rescue, rehabilitate, and eventually release back into the wild stranded and entangled sea turtles.

This legislation is very efficient on many fronts.

Number one, this small amount of money, if appropriated, will move forward and take advantage of an increased ability to organize nonprofits and volunteers at no expense whatsoever to taxpayers.

It is also a moneymaker. Sea turtles are an amazing attraction. My wife and I just recently went to an area where we witnessed so many excursions, ferries, people coming from all over the world to go down and not only look at shipwrecks that are undersea but look at sea turtles.

In fact, I read just this week in a publication that there is one sea turtle, an older sea turtle in an aquarium, that was marking its 50 millionth visitor view—one turtle. It is a necessary attraction not only to preserve their uniqueness and their value but also to other people. It generates money that, again, helps taxpayers here.

Finally, the sea turtles themselves are efficient and helpful. They graze on sea grass and other areas. Their natural work enhances a cleansing of the

ocean, so there is a holistic view of the work where they actually are doing something, again, at no cost that is helpful.

The work that this stranding network does in protecting these endangered species is vital to ensuring the populations of this much-loved species continue to thrive into the future, helping to preserve a unique part of the ocean's biodiversity for our children and grandchildren.

I am proud to have sponsored this legislation. I am proud of the bipartisan support behind this legislation to support sea turtle conservation, and I am deeply grateful that the House has taken up this opportunity to listen to this today and, hopefully, pass this legislation going forward.

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time to close. I urge my colleagues to vote "yes" and yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. TIFFANY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time to briefly close.

Sea turtles are an iconic species that capture the hearts and minds of many. As I mentioned in my opening remarks, due to the hard work of organizations such as the Sea Turtle Stranding and Salvage Network, the National Aquarium, and others, more than 2,000 sea turtles have been rescued and rehabilitated over the last 2 years.

H.R. 2560 will complement the great work of these organizations. I again thank Mr. KEATING, Mrs. LUNA, and my colleagues on the committee for their collaborative work on this legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. TIFFANY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2560, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. TIFFANY. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 53 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. OBERNOLTE) at 4 o'clock and 15 minutes p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER
PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

S. 382, if ordered; and
H.R. 2560.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, the second electronic vote will be conducted as a 5-minute vote.

PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS
LAND INTO TRUST CONFIRMA-
TION ACT OF 2023

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and passing the bill (S. 382) to take certain land in the State of Washington into trust for the benefit of the Puyallup Tribe of the Puyallup Reservation, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Wyoming (Ms. HAGEMAN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the yeas have it.

Mr. TIFFANY. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 401, nays 15, not voting 14, as follows:

[Roll No. 110]

YEAS—401

Adams	Budzinski	Crawford
Aderholt	Burgess	Crenshaw
Aguilar	Burlison	Crockett
Alford	Bush	Crow
Allen	Calvert	Cuellar
Allred	Cammack	Curtis
Amo	Caraveo	D'Esposito
Amodei	Carbajal	Daids (KS)
Armstrong	Cárdenas	Davis (IL)
Arrington	Carey	Davis (NC)
Auchincloss	Carl	De La Cruz
Bacon	Carson	Dean (PA)
Baird	Carter (GA)	DeGette
Balderson	Carter (LA)	DeLauro
Balint	Carter (TX)	DelBene
Banks	Cartwright	Deluzio
Barr	Casar	DeSaulnier
Barragán	Casten	DesJarlais
Bean (FL)	Castor (FL)	Diaz-Balart
Beatty	Castro (TX)	Dingell
Bentz	Chavez-DeRemer	Doggett
Bera	Cherfilus-	Donalds
Bergman	McCormick	Duarte
Beyer	Chu	Duncan
Bice	Ciscomani	Dunn (FL)
Bilirakis	Clarke (MA)	Edwards
Bishop (GA)	Clarke (NY)	Ellzey
Bishop (NC)	Cleaver	Emmer
Blumenauer	Clyburn	Escobar
Blunt Rochester	Clyde	Eshoo
Boebert	Cohen	Españat
Bonamici	Cole	Estes
Bowman	Collins	Evans
Boyle (PA)	Comer	Ezell
Brecheen	Connolly	Fallon
Brown	Correa	Feenstra
Brownley	Costa	Ferguson
Buchanan	Courtney	Finstad
Bucshon	Craig	Fischbach

Fitzgerald	Larson (CT)	Rose
Fitzpatrick	Latta	Ross
Fleischmann	LaTurner	Rouzer
Fletcher	Lawler	Ruiz
Flood	Lee (CA)	Ruppersberger
Foster	Lee (FL)	Rutherford
Foushee	Lee (NV)	Ryan
Fox	Lee (PA)	Salazar
Frankel, Lois	Leger Fernandez	Salinas
Franklin, Scott	Letlow	Sánchez
Frost	Levin	Sarbanes
Fry	Lieu	Scalise
Fulcher	Lofgren	Scanlon
Gaetz	Loudermilk	Schakowsky
Gallagher	Lucas	Schiff
Gallego	Luna	Schneider
Garamendi	Luttrell	Scholten
Garbarino	Lynch	Schrier
Garcia (IL)	Mace	Schweikert
Garcia (TX)	Magaziner	Scott (VA)
Garcia, Mike	Malliotakis	Scott, Austin
Garcia, Robert	Mann	Scott, David
Jimenez	Manning	Sessions
Golden (ME)	Massie	Sewell
Gomez	Mast	Sherman
Gonzales, Tony	Matsui	Sherrill
Gonzalez,	McBath	Simpson
Vicente	McCaul	Slotkin
Gooden (TX)	McClain	Smith (MO)
Gottheimer	McClellan	Smith (NE)
Granger	McClintock	Smith (NJ)
Graves (LA)	McCollum	Smith (WA)
Graves (MO)	McCormick	Smucker
Green (TN)	McGarvey	Sorensen
Green, Al (TX)	McGovern	Soto
Greene (GA)	McHenry	Spanberger
Griffith	Meeks	Spartz
Grothman	Menendez	Stansbury
Guest	Meng	Stanton
Guthrie	Meuser	Staubert
Hageman	Mfume	Steel
Harder (CA)	Miller (IL)	Stefanik
Harris	Miller (OH)	Steil
Harshbarger	Miller-Meeks	Stevens
Hayes	Mills	Strong
Hern	Molinaro	Suozzi
Higgins (LA)	Moolenaar	Swalwell
Hill	Moore (AL)	Sykes
Himes	Moore (UT)	Takano
Hinson	Moore (WI)	Tenney
Horsford	Moran	Thanedar
Houchin	Morelle	Thompson (CA)
Houlahan	Moskowitz	Thompson (MS)
Hoyer	Moulton	Thompson (PA)
Hoyle (OR)	Mrvan	Tiffany
Hudson	Mullin	Timmons
Huffman	Murphy	Titus
Huizenga	Nadler	Tlaib
Hunt	Napolitano	Tokuda
Issa	Neal	Tonko
Ivey	Neguse	Torres (CA)
Jackson (IL)	Nehls	Torres (NY)
Jackson (NC)	Newhouse	Trahan
Jackson (TX)	Nickel	Trone
Jackson Lee	Norcross	Turner
Jacobs	Norman	Underwood
Jayapal	Nunn (IA)	Valadao
Jeffries	Obermole	Van Drew
Johnson (GA)	Ocasio-Cortez	Van Dwyne
Johnson (SD)	Omar	Van Orden
Joyce (OH)	Owens	Vargas
Joyce (PA)	Pallone	Vasquez
Kamlager-Dove	Palmer	Veasey
Kaptur	Panetta	Velázquez
Kean (NJ)	Pappas	Wagner
Keating	Pascrell	Walberg
Kelly (IL)	Pelosi	Waltz
Kelly (MS)	Peltola	Wasserman
Kelly (PA)	Pence	Schultz
Khanna	Perez	Waters
Kiggans (VA)	Peters	Weber (TX)
Kildee	Pettersen	Webster (FL)
Kiley	Pfluger	Wenstrup
Kilmer	Phillips	Westerman
Kim (CA)	Pingree	Wexton
Kim (NJ)	Pocan	Wild
Krishnamoorthi	Porter	Williams (GA)
Kuster	Posey	Williams (NY)
Kustoff	Pressley	Williams (TX)
LaHood	Quigley	Wilson (FL)
LaLota	Ramirez	Wilson (SC)
LaMalfa	Raskin	Wittman
Lamborn	Reschenthaler	Womack
Landsman	Rodgers (WA)	Yakym
Langworthy	Rogers (AL)	Zinke
Larsen (WA)	Rogers (KY)	

NAYS—15

Biggs	Davidson	Perry
Burchett	Good (VA)	Rosendale
Cline	Gosar	Roy
Cloud	Maloy	Self
Crane	Ogles	Steube

NOT VOTING—14

Babin	James	Mooney
Bost	Jordan	Payne
Case	Lesko	Strickland
Goldman (NY)	Luetkemeyer	Watson Coleman
Grijalva	Miller (WV)	

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Ms. TENNEY changed her vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SEA TURTLE RESCUE ASSISTANCE
AND REHABILITATION ACT OF 2023

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2560) to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish the Sea Turtle Rescue Assistance Grant Program, and for other purposes, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. TIFFANY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 332, nays 82, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 111]

YEAS—332

Adams	Carl	DelBene
Aderholt	Carson	Deluzio
Aguilar	Carter (GA)	DeSaulnier
Allred	Carter (LA)	DesJarlais
Amo	Carter (TX)	Diaz-Balart
Amodei	Cartwright	Dingell
Armstrong	Casar	Doggett
Auchincloss	Casten	Duncan
Bacon	Castor (FL)	Dunn (FL)
Baird	Castro (TX)	Edwards
Balderson	Chavez-DeRemer	Emmer
Balint	Cherfilus-	Escobar
Barragán	McCormick	Eshoo
Beatty	Chu	Españat
Bentz	Ciscomani	Evans
Bera	Clark (MA)	Ezell
Bergman	Clarke (NY)	Ferguson
Beyer	Cleaver	Fitzpatrick
Bice	Clyburn	Fleischmann
Bilirakis	Cohen	Fletcher
Bishop (GA)	Cole	Foster
Bishop (NC)	Connolly	Foushee
Blumenauer	Correa	Fox
Blunt Rochester	Costa	Frankel, Lois
Boebert	Courtney	Frost
Bonamici	Craig	Fry
Bowman	Crockett	Gaetz
Boyle (PA)	Crow	Gallagher
Brecheen	Cuellar	Gallego
Brown	Curtis	Garamendi
Brownley	D'Esposito	Garbarino
Buchanan	Daids (KS)	Garcia (IL)
Bucshon	Davis (IL)	Garcia (TX)
Budzinski	Davis (NC)	Garcia, Mike
Bush	De La Cruz	Garcia, Robert
Calvert	Dean (PA)	Jimenez
Cammack	DeGette	Golden (ME)
Caraveo	DeLauro	Gomez
Carbajal		
Cárdenas		
Carey		