

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

1324 Longworth House Office Building

December 01, 2011

10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

Legislative Hearing on the following bills:

- **H.R. 594** (Pallone), To promote jobs creation, promote sustainable fisheries and fishing communities, revitalize waterfronts, and for other purposes. “*Coastal Jobs Creation Act of 2011.*”
- **H.R. 1013** (Keating), To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to provide the New England Fishery Management Council additional resources to address research and monitoring priorities established by the Council. “*Strengthen Fisheries Management in New England Act of 2011.*”
- **H.R. 1646** (Runyan), To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to preserve jobs and coastal communities through transparency and accountability in fishery management, and for other purposes. “*American Angler Preservation Act.*”
- **H.R. 2304** (Wittman), To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act of 2006 to provide the necessary scientific information to properly implement annual catch limits, and for other purposes. “*Fishery Science Improvement Act of 2011.*”
- **H.R. 2610** (Frank), To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to reform procedures for the payment of funds from the asset forfeiture fund, and for other purposes. “*Asset Forfeiture Fund Reform and Distribution Act of 2011.*”
- **H.R. 2753** (Jones), To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to provide Internet access to Regional Fishery Management Council meetings and meeting records, and for other purposes. “*Fishery Management Transparency and Accountability Act.*”
- **H.R. 2772** (Runyan), To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to permit eligible fishermen to approve certain limited access privilege programs, and for other purposes. “*Saving Fishing Jobs Act of 2011.*”
- **H.R. 3061** (Pallone), To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to extend the authorized time period for rebuilding of certain overfished fisheries, and for other purposes. “*Flexibility and Access in Rebuilding American Fisheries Act of 2011.*”

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WITNESSES

PANEL I

The Honorable Barney Frank, MA
Member of Congress
H.R. 2610

The Honorable Frank Pallone, NJ
Member of Congress
H.R. 594, H.R. 3061

The Honorable Walter Jones, NC
Member of Congress
H.R. 2753

The Honorable Rob Wittman, VA
Member of Congress
H.R. 2034

The Honorable Jon Runyan, NJ
Member of Congress
H.R. 1646, H.R. 2772

The Honorable William Keating, MA
Member of Congress
H.R. 1013

PANEL II *

Mr. Rick Marks
Principal
Hoffman Silver Gilman & Blasco

Captain Robert Zales
President
National Association of Charterboat
Operators

Mr. Chris Oliver
Executive Director
North Pacific Fishery Management Council

Mr. Mike Colby
Double Hook Charter Boat
Clearwater, Florida

Mr. Peter Shelley
Senior Counsel
Conservation Law Foundation

Mr. Robert G. Hayes
Recreational Fishing Representative

PANEL III *

Mr. Eric Schwaab
Assistant Administrator
National Marine Fisheries Service

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