

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 200
OFFERED BY MR. WEBSTER OF FLORIDA**

Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . PROHIBITION ON SHARK FEEDING OFF COAST OF**
2 **FLORIDA.**

3 Section 307 (16 U.S.C. 1857) is amended—

4 (1) by striking “It is unlawful—” and inserting
5 the following:

6 “(a) IN GENERAL.—It is unlawful—”; and

7 (2) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(b) PROHIBITION ON SHARK FEEDING OFF COAST
9 OF FLORIDA.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—It is unlawful—

11 “(A) for any diver to engage in shark feed-
12 ing in covered waters; and

13 “(B) for any person to operate a vessel for
14 hire for the purpose of carrying a passenger to
15 a site if such person knew or should have
16 known that the passenger intended, at that site,
17 to be a diver—

18 “(i) engaged in shark feeding in cov-
19 ered waters; or

1 “(ii) engaged in observing shark feed-
2 ing in covered waters.

3 “(2) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this sub-
4 section:

5 “(A) COVERED WATERS.—The term ‘cov-
6 ered waters’ means Federal waters off the coast
7 of Florida.

8 “(B) DIVER.—The term ‘diver’ means a
9 person who is wholly or partially submerged in
10 covered water and is equipped with a face
11 mask, face mask and snorkel, or underwater
12 breathing apparatus.

13 “(C) SHARK FEEDING.—The term ‘shark
14 feeding’ means—

15 “(i) the introduction of food or any
16 other substance into covered water for the
17 purpose of feeding or attracting sharks; or

18 “(ii) presenting food or any other sub-
19 stance to a shark for the purpose of feed-
20 ing or attracting sharks.

21 “(3) EXCEPTION.—This subsection shall not
22 apply to shark feeding conducted—

23 “(A) by a research institution, university,
24 or government agency for research purposes; or

1 “(B) for the purpose of harvesting
2 sharks.”.

