

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 4051
OFFERED BY MR. WEBSTER OF FLORIDA**

Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON SHARK FEEDING OFF COAST OF**
2 **FLORIDA.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 307 of the Magnuson-Ste-
4 vens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16
5 U.S.C. 1857) is amended—

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

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

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

10 “(b) PROHIBITION ON SHARK FEEDING OFF COAST
11 OF FLORIDA.—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—It is unlawful—

13 “(A) for a diver to engage in shark feeding
14 in covered waters; and

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

1 “(i) shark feeding in covered waters;

2 or

3 “(ii) observing shark feeding in cov-
4 ered waters.

5 “(2) EXCEPTION.—This subsection does not
6 apply to shark feeding conducted—

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

9 “(B) for the purpose of harvesting sharks
10 or other marine species.

11 “(3) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

12 “(A) COVERED WATERS.—The term ‘cov-
13 ered waters’ means Federal waters off the coast
14 of Florida.

15 “(B) DIVER.—The term ‘diver’ means an
16 individual who is—

17 “(i) wholly or partially submerged in
18 covered waters; and

19 “(ii) equipped with a—

20 “(I) face mask;

21 “(II) face mask and snorkel; or

22 “(III) underwater breathing ap-
23 paratus.

24 “(C) SHARK FEEDING.—The term ‘shark
25 feeding’ means—

1 “(i) the introduction of food or any
2 other substance into covered waters for the
3 purpose of feeding or attracting sharks; or
4 “(ii) presenting food or any other sub-
5 stance to a shark for the purpose of feed-
6 ing or attracting sharks.”.

7 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—The Magnuson-
8 Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16
9 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.) is amended—

10 (1) in section 302(b)(6)(B) (16 U.S.C.
11 1852(b)(6)(B)), by striking “section 307(1)(O)” and
12 inserting “section 307(a)(1)(O)”;

13 (2) in section 309 (16 U.S.C. 1859)—

14 (A) in subsection (a)—

15 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “sec-
16 tion 307(1)(D), (E), (F), (H), (I), or (L)”
17 and inserting “subparagraphs (D), (E),
18 (F), (H), (I), or (L) of section 307(a)(1)”;
19 and

20 (ii) in paragraph (2), by striking “sec-
21 tion 307(2)” and inserting “section
22 307(a)(2)”;

23 (B) in subsection (b), by striking “section
24 307(1)(L)” and inserting “section
25 307(a)(1)(L)”;

1 (3) in section 313(j)(9) (16 U.S.C. 1862(j)(9)),
2 by striking “section 307(l)” and inserting “section
3 307(a)(l)”.

