

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE  
TO H.R. 3070  
OFFERED BY MR. GOSAR OF ARIZONA**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “EEZ Transit Zone  
3 Clarification and Access Act”.

**4 SEC. 2. RECREATIONAL FISHING IN BLOCK ISLAND SOUND  
5 TRANSIT ZONE.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Commerce, in  
7 consultation with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries  
8 Commission, may issue regulations to permit and regulate  
9 recreational Atlantic striped bass fishing in the Block Is-  
10 land Sound Transit Zone.

11 (b) BLOCK ISLAND SOUND TRANSIT ZONE DE-  
12 FINED.—In this section the term “Block Island Sound  
13 transit zone” means the area of the exclusive economic  
14 zone north of a line connecting Montauk Light, Montauk  
15 Point, New York, and Block Island Southeast Light,  
16 Block Island, Rhode Island; and west of a line connecting  
17 Point Judith Light, Point Judith, Rhode Island, and  
18 Block Island Southeast Light, Block Island, Rhode Island.

1           (c) SAVINGS CLAUSE.—Nothing in this section or the  
2 regulations issued under this section shall affect—

3           (1) any permit that—

4                   (A) is issued under any other provision of  
5 law by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric  
6 Administration, including a permit issued be-  
7 fore the date of the enactment of this Act; and

8                   (B) authorizes fishing in the Block Island  
9 Sound Transit Zone; or

10           (2) any activity authorized by such a permit.

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to permit striped bass fishing in the Exclusive Economic Zone transit zone between Montauk, New York, and Point Judith, Rhode Island, and for other purposes.”.

