

115TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 1586

To require the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere to update periodically the environmental sensitivity index products of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for each coastal area of the Great Lakes, and for other purposes.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 19, 2017

Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mr. YOUNG) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. UPDATE TO ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITY**  
2 **INDEX PRODUCTS OF NATIONAL OCEANIC**  
3 **AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION FOR**  
4 **GREAT LAKES.**

5 (a) UPDATE REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days  
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act and not less  
7 frequently than once every 7 years thereafter, the Under  
8 Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere shall update the en-  
9 vironmental sensitivity index products of the National  
10 Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for each coastal  
11 area of the Great Lakes.

12 (b) ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITY INDEX PRODUCT  
13 DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “environmental  
14 sensitivity index product” means a map or similar tool  
15 that is utilized to identify sensitive shoreline, coastal or  
16 offshore, resources prior to an oil spill event in order to  
17 set baseline priorities for protection and plan cleanup  
18 strategies, typically including information relating to  
19 shoreline type, biological resources, and human use re-  
20 sources.

21 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be  
23 appropriated to the Under Secretary \$7,500,000 to  
24 carry out this section.

25 (2) AVAILABILITY.—Amounts appropriated or  
26 otherwise made available pursuant to paragraph (1)

- 1 shall be available to the Under Secretary for the
- 2 purposes set forth in such paragraph until expended.

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