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OFFERED BY Ms. BUSH OF MISSOURI

Page 1660, after line 6, insert the following:

1	SEC. 71003. NATIONAL ACADEMIES ASSESSMENT OF OIL
2	SPILLS AND PLASTIC INGESTION ON SEA
3	LIFE.
4	Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-
5	ment of this Act, the Secretary of Commerce, acting
6	through the Administrator of the National Oceanic and
7	Atmospheric Administration, shall seek to enter into an
8	agreement with the National Academies of Science, Engi-
9	neering, and Medicine to conduct a comprehensive assess-
10	ment of the environmental impacts of plastic ingestion and
11	oil and other fossil fuel spills on sea life, including—
12	(1) assessment of the potential health and eco-
13	logical impacts of plastic ingestion on marine life;
14	(2) assessment of the types of plastics most
15	commonly ingested by marine life and the types that
16	have the most damaging health and ecosystem im-
17	pacts, and recommendations for preventing and
18	eliminating these plastics from the environment;

1	(3) quantification of the economic impacts of
2	plastic pollution including the costs of cleanup, im-
3	pacts on lost tourism, impacts on aquaculture and
4	fishing, and other economic impacts identified by the
5	Academy;
6	(4) assessment and quantification of the health
7	and ecological impacts oil and other fossil fuel spills,
8	flares, pipeline leaks, and extraction, including
9	greenhouse gas emissions, have on marine life;
10	(5) quantification of the cost and effectiveness
11	of cleaning up oil and other fossil fuel spills, flares,
12	and pipeline leaks, and repairing damage to marine
13	life, coasts, and businesses;
14	(6) quantification of the number of people em-
15	ployed in fossil fuel extraction on Federal waters
16	with breakdown by State;
17	(7) quantification of the number of people em-
18	ployed in marine tourism and the blue economy, in-
19	cluding the fishing and seafood industries, impacted
20	by plastic, oil, and other fossil fuel pollution; and
21	(8) assessment and quantification of riverine
22	sources of coastal plastic pollution in the United
23	States, including a breakdown by sources that in-
24	cludes but is not limited to the Mississippi River.