

H.R. 1415, A bill to amend the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 to authorize grants to Indian Tribes to further achievement of Tribal coastal zone objectives, and for other purposes

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on January 19, 2022

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2022	2022-2027	2022-2032
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	*	18	25
Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	No	Mandate Effects	
Increases on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2033?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No
* = between zero and \$500,000.			

H.R. 1415 would amend the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 and authorize the appropriation of \$5 million annually over the 2022-2026 period for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to provide competitive grants to Indian tribes. Those grants could be used to:

- Protect, preserve, or restore coastal land that tribes consider to have important ecological, cultural, or sacred significance or traditional, historic, or aesthetic values;
- Create or implement area management plans for coastal land; and
- Stabilize coastal shorelines.

The bill also would allow certain grants to states to be used for projects on tribal land related to coastal resiliency or restoration activities.

Based on spending patterns for similar grants, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1415 would cost \$18 million over the 2022-2027 period and \$7 million after 2027, assuming appropriation of the specified amounts. In 2021, NOAA allocated about \$79 million for all coastal zone management grants.



The costs of the legislation, detailed in Table 1, fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

Table 1.
Estimated Increases in Spending Subject to Appropriation Under H.R. 1415

	By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars						2022-2027
	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	
Authorization	5	5	5	5	5	0	25
Estimated Outlays	*	1	3	5	5	4	18

* = between zero and \$500,000.

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