

H.R. 4840 To amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to ensure the use of sound science in the implementation of that Act; was ordered favorably reported to the House, amended, by vote of 22-18.

The following amendments were offered:

- An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Hansen, (#1), re: to
  - 1) add the National Marine Fisheries Service as an agency, where appropriate;
  - 2) clarify that a qualified individual with a conflict of interest cannot participate in a scientific review;
  - 3) add the determination of destruction or adverse modifications of critical habitat to the covered actions;
  - 4) extend some of the time period by six months; and
  - 5) make additional technical and conforming changes;was AGREED TO by voice vote.
  
- An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Rahall, (# ), re: to
  - 1) require petitions to list, delist, or reclassify a species;
  - 2) require the Secretary to data relating the proposed regulations;
  - 3) to establish an independent scientific review for any determination of the Secretary in the listing; and
  - 4) require the Secretary to invite independent scientific review;was NOT AGREED TO by vote of 18-22.