



## **CSO Legislative Update**

May 9, 2022

### **FY 2022 Appropriations**

The FY2022 Omnibus Appropriations bill was signed into law providing funding through September 2022. A detailed breakdown on the final appropriations is available in the [Appropriations Tracker](#) on the Members Only website.

### **FY 2023 Appropriations**

The President's Budget for FY2023 has been released. A summary of the NOAA and other Agency requests is available in the [Appropriations Tracker](#) on the Members Only website. The CSO FY2023 Appropriations requests have been finalized and are available [here](#).

### **CZMA Reauthorization**

Update will be provided at the member meeting. Please see materials on CZMA reauthorization on the [2022 Spring Meeting Congressional Resources page](#). This page will be updated as new CZMA materials become available.

### **WRDA 2022**

The Senate has released [its version of WRDA 2022](#). There was a markup in the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works on May 4, 2022 (video [here](#)) in which the Committee reported the bill favorably as amended. The House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure is expected to be about a month behind the Senate on their version of WRDA 2022.

### **America COMPETES Act and the U.S. Innovation and Competition Act**

The House passed the [America COMPETES Act](#) while the Senate passed partner legislation – [U.S. Innovation and Competition Act](#) – over the summer. Congress is now moving to conference these bills.

- The House bill contains a mandate for DOI in collaboration with DOE, DOD, DOC, and others to seek to deploy 30 GW in the outer continental shelf by 2030.
- The House bill also contains a provision for a new “Coastal Zone Research Initiative” under the Department of Energy which is highly duplicative of NOAA’s coastal research and observation efforts including NERRS and IOOS. CSO has been working with NOAA, partners, and committee staff to resolve issues with this language in the conferenced bill.

### **Build Back Better/Reconciliation Infrastructure bill**

This legislation is dead.

**Other Legislation Updates:**

- [S. 1894](#) Regional Ocean Partnerships Act – passed favorably out of Committee, has not been taken up by the full Senate.
- [H.R. 1415](#) Tribal Coastal Resiliency Act – passed favorably out of Committee, has not been taken up by the full House.
- [S. 46](#) Restoring Resilient Reefs Act of 2021 – passed favorably out of Committee with amendment in the form of a substitute, has not been taken up by the full Senate.

Members of Congress continue to introduce legislation, to keep track of new legislation check out the [Legislation Tracker](#).