

110TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 234

To make funds available for Pacific Salmon emergency disaster assistance.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 2007

Mr. THOMPSON of California (for himself, Mr. DEFazio, Ms. HOOLEY, Mr. FARR, Ms. ESHOO, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. LANTOS, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. WU, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, and Ms. MATSUI) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Pacific Salmon Emer-  
5 gency Disaster Assistance Act of 2007”.

6 **SEC. 2. PACIFIC SALMON EMERGENCY DISASTER ASSIST-**  
7 **ANCE.**

8 (a) APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS.—In addition to any  
9 other funds available for such purpose, there is appro-

1 priated to the Secretary of Commerce \$60,400,000 to  
2 make a lump sum payment to the Pacific States Marine  
3 Fisheries Commission. The Commission shall distribute  
4 such amount among fishing communities, Indian tribes,  
5 small businesses, including fishermen, fish processors, and  
6 related businesses, individuals, and other entities for as-  
7 sistance for the economic and social effects of the commer-  
8 cial fishery failure designated under section 312(a) of the  
9 Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Manage-  
10 ment Act (16 U.S.C. 1861a(a)) to mitigate the economic  
11 losses to such communities, tribes, businesses, individuals  
12 or other entities caused by closures or other restrictions  
13 on the harvesting of Klamath River Fall Chinook salmon.

14 (b) LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—  
15 The Secretary of Commerce may not use more than 4 per-  
16 cent of the amount appropriated under this section for ad-  
17 ministrative expenses.

18 (c) UNUSED FUNDS.—Any amount appropriated pur-  
19 suant to this section that is not expended or otherwise ob-  
20 ligated for the purpose described in subsection (a) shall  
21 be returned to the Treasury of the United States.

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