

Section 28 – Authorization of Appropriations.

Reauthorize the Act for 5 years beginning in Fiscal Year 2018 at the currently authorized level.	It is a laborious process for Congress, but necessary for continued improvements.
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Section 29 – Authority to Use Alternative Fishery Management Measures.

Allow Councils to use alternative fishery management measures in a recreational fishery or for the recreational component of a mixed-use fishery including the use of extraction rates, fishing mortality targets, and harvest control rules in developing FMPs, plan amendments, or proposed regulations.	Provides flexibility to the Council in setting harvest limits on the recreational fishery. It will be challenging to establish alternative measures for controlling recreational fishing mortality that does not involve an overall ACL.
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