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SUBJECT: COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT  
AMENDMENTS

*B1.5B*

What is the Administration's position on the CZM bill  
(H.R. 3981), passed by the House last week?

**GUIDANCE:** The Administration has very serious concerns with the impact fund provisions of the bill, especially that the fund should be used only where and when it is needed, Federal subsidies are eliminated, and the Federal role in the process is minimized.

The Administration also wishes to ensure that the final version of the legislation eliminates provisions which would inhibit energy resource development.

We are hopeful that the House-Senate Conference will report legislation which is acceptable.

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