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Rep. Salud Carbajal (D-CA-24) introduced the Ocean Acidification Research Partnerships Act (H.R.845) to investigate ocean acidification on February 3.

Ocean acidification has a negative impact upon marine foodstocks, such as crustaceans and mollusks, whose shells dissolve and have trouble growing in more acidic waters.

This bill would authorize the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to distribute \$5 million in research grants annually through 2022 for collaborative projects between the seafood industry and academia to investigate and raise awareness of the affects of ocean acidification.

Grants are to research how ocean acidification affects the seafood industry. Initial research will identify the communities and ecosystems that ocean acidification affects.

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