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S 1804

Sport Fishing and Recreational Boating Safety Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Sports and Recreation

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Breaux, John B. [D-LA]

Party: Democratic • State: LA • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Hollings, Ernest F. [D-SC]	$D \cdot SC$		Oct 30, 2003
Sen. Lott, Trent [R-MS]	$R \cdot MS$		Oct 30, 2003
Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]	D·IA		Feb 12, 2004
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Apr 2, 2004
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		May 4, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 31, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Sports and Recreation

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Sport Fishing and Recreational Boating Safety Act - Amends the Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act to provide for distribution of FY 2004 through 2009 appropriations, including those for the multistate conservation grant program.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to require transfer to the land and water conservation fund of the equivalent of certain motorboat fuel taxes received into the Highway Trust Fund. Authorizes for FY 2004 through 2008 certain expenditures from the Boat Safety Account of the Aquatic Resources Trust Fund, including for aid to States for fish restoration and management projects.

Amends the Clean Vessel Act of 1992, with respect to grants for State marine sanitation device pumpout station programs, to repeal the mandatory priority consideration given to grant applications that, in coastal States, propose constructing and renovating pumpout stations and waste reception facilities in accordance with a coastal State's approved plan.

Amends Federal shipping law to increase from one-half to 75 percent the maximum percentage of a State's total cost for its recreational boating safety program represented by the Federal allocation the State receives. Extends the availability of such allocation from two years to three years. Requires a reduction of such allocation if the State's expenditures for the program for the previous fiscal year is below the average expenditures for the three preceding fiscal years (failure of maintenance of effort).

Actions Timeline

- Oct 30, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- Oct 30, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR 10/31/2003 S13677-13678)
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