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S 2657

A bill to require the Secretary of Commerce to prescribe regulations to reduce the incidence of vessels colliding with North Atlantic right whales by limiting the speed of vessels, and for other purposes.

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Animals
Introduced: Feb 15, 2008

Current Status: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 893.

Latest Action: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 893. (Jul 22, 2008)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]

Party: Democratic • State: MA • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		Mar 11, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 22, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 5536	Identical bill	Mar 6, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.

Summary (as of Jul 22, 2008)

Directs the Secretary of Commerce to promulgate a final rule to implement speed restrictions to reduce the threat of ships colliding with North Atlantic right whales. Requires that rule to provide the same or greater level of protection as provided by a specified proposed rule.

Actions Timeline

- Jul 22, 2008: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Inouye with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 110-429.
- Jul 22, 2008: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 893.
- Apr 24, 2008: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- Feb 15, 2008: Introduced in Senate
- Feb 15, 2008: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation under authority of the order of the Senate of 02/14/2008.