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A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain shipping from the harbor maintenance tax.

Congress: 111 (2009–2011, Ended)
Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Taxation
Introduced: Mar 9, 2009
Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Mar 9, 2009)
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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]
Party: Democratic • **State:** NJ • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]	D · MI		Mar 9, 2009
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Mar 9, 2009
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Mar 9, 2009
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Mar 9, 2009
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		Mar 9, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 9, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 3486	Related bill	**Jul 31, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
111 S 1509	Related bill	**Jul 23, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
111 HR 528	Related bill	**Jan 22, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E129)
111 HR 638	Related bill	**Jan 22, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

Summary (as of Mar 9, 2009)

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to exempt from the harbor maintenance tax commercial cargo (other than bulk cargo) loaded at: (1) a port in the U.S. mainland and unloaded at another such port after transport solely by coastal route or river or unloaded at a port in Canada located in the Great Lakes Saint Lawrence Seaway System; or (2) such a port in Canada and unloaded at a port in the U.S. mainland.

Defines the "Great Lakes Saint Lawrence Seaway System" as the waterway between Duluth, Minnesota, and Sept Iles, Quebec, encompassing the five Great Lakes, their connecting channels, and the Saint Lawrence River.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 9, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
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