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### Big Oil Bailout Prevention Unlimited Liability Act of 2011

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

**Introduced:** Jan 27, 2011

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (Jan 27, 2011)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/112th-congress/senate-bill/214>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NJ • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 14, 2011
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Apr 14, 2011
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Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		May 3, 2011
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		May 12, 2011
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		May 19, 2011
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Mar 12, 2012

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 27, 2011

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Jan 27, 2011)

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Big Oil Bailout Prevention Unlimited Liability Act of 2011 - Amends the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to make the party responsible for an offshore facility, except a deepwater port, from which oil is discharged into or upon navigable waters or adjoining shorelines liable for all discharge removal costs and damages for each incident (under current law such party is liable for the total of all removal costs plus \$75 million).

Makes this Act effective on April 15, 2010.

## Actions Timeline

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