

HR 1961

To amend title 46, United States Code, to extend the exemption from the fire-retardant materials construction requirement for vessels operating within the Boundary Line.

Congress: 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

Introduced: May 14, 2013

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Dec 20, 2013)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Chabot, Steve [R-OH-1]

Party: Republican • **State:** OH • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (22 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Clay, Wm. Lacy [D-MO-1]	D · MO		May 14, 2013
Rep. Massie, Thomas [R-KY-4]	R · KY		May 14, 2013
Rep. Wenstrup, Brad R. [R-OH-2]	R · OH		May 14, 2013
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		May 16, 2013
Rep. Whitfield, Ed [R-KY-1]	R · KY		May 16, 2013
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		May 17, 2013
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Rep. Gibbs, Bob [R-OH-7]	R · OH		Jun 4, 2013
Rep. Johnson, Bill [R-OH-6]	R · OH		Jun 4, 2013
Rep. Jordan, Jim [R-OH-4]	R · OH		Jun 4, 2013
Rep. Joyce, David P. [R-OH-14]	R · OH		Jun 4, 2013
Rep. Latta, Robert E. [R-OH-5]	R · OH		Jun 4, 2013
Rep. Renacci, James B. [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Jun 4, 2013
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Jun 4, 2013
Rep. Stivers, Steve [R-OH-15]	R · OH		Jun 4, 2013
Rep. Tiberi, Patrick J. [R-OH-12]	R · OH		Jun 4, 2013
Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-10]	R · OH		Jun 4, 2013
Rep. Richmond, Cedric L. [D-LA-2]	D · LA		Jun 10, 2013
Rep. Luetkemeyer, Blaine [R-MO-3]	R · MO		Jun 12, 2013
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Jun 14, 2013
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Jul 16, 2013

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 20, 2013
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Discharged from	Jul 18, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 2924	Related bill	Nov 13, 2014: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
113 S 1022	Identical bill	May 22, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Summary (as of Sep 25, 2013)

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Amends federal shipping law to extend through October 31, 2028, the exemption of certain vessels from the requirement that U.S. passenger vessels having berth or stateroom accommodations for at least 50 passengers be constructed of fire-retardant materials in order to be granted a certificate of inspection.

Continues to apply this exemption only to vessels in operation before January 1, 1968, which operate only within the Boundary Line (the dividing point between inland waters and high seas).

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 20, 2013:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
- **Sep 26, 2013:** Received in the Senate.
- **Sep 25, 2013:** Mr. Petri moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Sep 25, 2013:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5810-5815)
- **Sep 25, 2013:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1961.
- **Sep 25, 2013:** DEBATE - The House resumed debate on H.R. 1961.
- **Sep 25, 2013:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Sep 25, 2013:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5823-5824)
- **Sep 25, 2013:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 280 - 89 (Roll no. 484).(text: CR H5810)
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- **Jul 24, 2013:** Reported by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H. Rept. 113-175.
- **Jul 24, 2013:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 127.
- **Jul 18, 2013:** Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Discharged.
- **Jul 18, 2013:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 18, 2013:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **May 15, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- **May 14, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **May 14, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.