

## HR 2876

### STORIS Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Transportation and Public Works

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces. (Aug 13, 2015)

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### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Hunter, Duncan D. [R-CA-50]	R · CA		Jun 24, 2015
Rep. Vela, Filemon [D-TX-34]	D · TX		Jun 24, 2015
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Jul 29, 2015
Rep. Boustany, Charles W., Jr. [R-LA-3]	R · LA		Jul 31, 2015
Rep. Brady, Kevin [R-TX-8]	R · TX		Jul 31, 2015
Rep. Green, Gene [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Jul 31, 2015
Rep. Rouzer, David [R-NC-7]	R · NC		Sep 24, 2015
Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Mar 14, 2016

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 13, 2015
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 26, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Ships to be Recycled in the States Act or the STORIS Act**

This bill requires the Department of Transportation (DOT), in coordination with the Department of the Navy, to report to Congress on the program for disposal of government-owned merchant vessels as well as on any other disposal of obsolete government-owned vessels.

The Government Accountability Office shall audit all excess federal government vessel sales contracts, including resulting receivables and expenditures, entered into by the Maritime Administration during a specified period.

The bill repeals authority to scrap any vessel sold from the National Defense Reserve Fleet in an approved foreign market without obtaining additional separate DOT approval to transfer the vessel to a person not a U.S. citizen.

The Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 is amended to revise requirements for the selection of qualified scrapping facilities.

The Toxic Substances Control Act is amended to declare that nothing in the mandate for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to regulate polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) shall be construed to prohibit the dismantling of a vessel or marine structure in order to recycle recovered materials. If PCBs are found or suspected, the person dismantling the vessel or marine structure must comply with specified requirements for informing the EPA and disposing of the PCBs.

The bill repeals authorization for any foreign country to apply for an obsolete vessel to be used for an artificial reef.

The Maritime Administration shall make public on its website the full text of each memorandum of agreement and similar agreement between the Maritime Administration and any other agency, department, or person.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Aug 13, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces.
- **Jun 26, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy.
- **Jun 24, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 24, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.