

S 3086

Marine Debris Act Amendments of 2016

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Chamber: Senate

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 28, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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(Sec. 2) This bill amends the Marine Debris Act to revise the Marine Debris Program by requiring the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to work with: (1) other agencies to address both land- and sea-based sources of marine debris, and (2) the Department of State and other agencies to promote international action to reduce the incidence of marine debris.

(Sec. 3) The bill also revises the program by allowing NOAA to make sums available for assisting in the cleanup and response required by severe marine debris events.

(Sec. 4) The bill urges the President to: (1) work with foreign countries that produce the largest amounts of unmanaged municipal solid waste that reaches the ocean in order to find solution to the marine debris; and (2) study issues related to marine debris, including the economic impacts of marine debris.

(Sec. 5) The Interagency Marine Debris Coordinating Committee must expand to include a senior official from the Department of State.

(Sec. 6) This bill reauthorizes through FY2021: (1) the Marine Debris Program, (2) an information clearinghouse on marine debris, and (3) enforcement of laws about discarded marine debris from ships.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 12, 2016:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 12, 2016:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 12, 2016:** Held at the desk.
- **Dec 10, 2016:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7106-7107)
- **Dec 10, 2016:** The committee substitute as amended agreed to by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 10, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S7107)
- **Dec 10, 2016:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S7107)
- **Nov 28, 2016:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Thune with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 114-387.
- **Nov 28, 2016:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 691.
- **Jun 29, 2016:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jun 22, 2016:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 22, 2016:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.