

HR 3214

National Icebreaker Fund Act of 2015

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Jul 27, 2015
Rep. Graves, Garret [R-LA-6]	R · LA		Jul 27, 2015
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		Jul 27, 2015
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Jul 27, 2015

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 27, 2015
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 28, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

National Icebreaker Fund Act of 2015

This bill establishes the National Icebreaker Fund, which shall be available for obligation and expenditure only for construction, alteration, renovation, and the lease or charter of icebreakers for the Coast Guard.

There shall be deposited into the Fund: (1) all funds appropriated to any federal agency for construction, alteration, renovation, or the lease or charter of icebreakers; and (2) all receipts from the disposition of icebreakers by the federal government.

Amounts in the Fund may not be used to: (1) lease, charter, construct, alter, renovate, or otherwise acquire any vessel built in a shipyard located in a foreign country, unless specifically authorized by law; or (2) construct, alter, or renovate a vessel in any shipyard other than a U.S. shipyard.

Amounts in the Fund may be expended for: (1) the lease, charter, construction, alteration, or renovation of icebreakers capable of search and rescue, saving of life at sea, maritime safety and security, drug and migrant interdiction, fisheries law enforcement, and environmental response in the Arctic; and (2) additional capabilities that are necessary to carry out national defense missions or for missions related to research and resupply in the Antarctic.

The Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall enter into an agreement with nations that operate facilities in Antarctica to establish a mechanism to provide icebreaking services necessary to supply those facilities by constructing, leasing or chartering, renovating, operating, or maintaining an icebreaker.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 28, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- **Jul 27, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 27, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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.