

## HR 4245

To exempt exportation of certain echinoderms and mollusks from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

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**Current Status:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.

**Latest Action:** Message on Senate action sent to the House. (Dec 12, 2016)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** ME • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Poliquin, Bruce [R-ME-2]	R · ME		Dec 11, 2015

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Discharged From	Sep 6, 2016
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Jun 14, 2016
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 11, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

(Sec. 1) This bill requires the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) to issue a proposed rule that establishes expedited procedures relating to the export permission requirements of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 for sea urchins and sea cucumbers that are designated as food for humans or animals. The USFWS may include in the rule an exemption from export permission requirements or export licensing requirements for those species.

If an exemption will have a significant negative impact on the conservation of sea urchins or sea cucumbers, the USFWS may not provide the exemption to the requirements. In addition, the USFWS may not provide an exemption to an entity that has been convicted of a violation of a law relating to the importation, transportation, or exportation of wildlife in the five years preceding the date on which the entity applied for the exemption.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 12, 2016:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 10, 2016:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7149)
- **Dec 10, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 10, 2016:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 7, 2016:** Received in the Senate, read twice.
- **Sep 6, 2016:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 114-712, Part I.
- **Sep 6, 2016:** Committee on Ways and Means discharged.
- **Sep 6, 2016:** Committee on Foreign Affairs discharged.
- **Sep 6, 2016:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 551.
- **Sep 6, 2016:** Mr. Thompson (PA) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 6, 2016:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5067-5068)
- **Sep 6, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4245.
- **Sep 6, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5067)
- **Sep 6, 2016:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5067)
- **Sep 6, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 6, 2016:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 15, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 15, 2016:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jun 14, 2016:** Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans Discharged.
- **Jun 14, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Feb 2, 2016:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Dec 17, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans.
- **Dec 11, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 11, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and 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.
- **Dec 11, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.