

## HR 6412

### Big Oil Bailout Prevention Unlimited Liability Act of 2016

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

**Introduced:** Nov 30, 2016

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. (Nov 30, 2016)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/6412>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 30, 2016

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 3165	Identical bill	<b>Jul 12, 2016:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

### Summary (as of Nov 30, 2016)

#### Big Oil Bailout Prevention Unlimited Liability Act of 2016

This bill amends the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to revise requirements governing the liability of parties that are responsible for oil discharges from offshore facilities into navigable waters or adjoining shorelines. Currently, responsible parties are liable for the total of all removal costs plus \$75 million. The bill: (1) removes the cap of \$75 million on liability, and (2) makes the responsible parties liable for all covered damages. Covered damages includes damages for: (1) loss of natural resources, property, revenue, or profits; or (2) costs of providing increased public services during or after removal activities, such as fire protection.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Nov 30, 2016:** Introduced in House
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