

## S 1206

A bill to ensure fair treatment in licensing requirements for the export of certain echinoderms.

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

**Introduced:** May 23, 2017

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (May 23, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/1206>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]

**Party:** Independent • **State:** ME • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		May 23, 2017

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 23, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
<a href="#">115 HR 2</a>	Related bill	<b>Dec 20, 2018:</b> Became Public Law No: 115-334.
<a href="#">115 S 2663</a>	Related bill	<b>Apr 12, 2018:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
<a href="#">115 HR 2504</a>	Related bill	<b>Feb 6, 2018:</b> Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

### Summary (as of May 23, 2017)

This bill: (1) exempts exporters of sea urchins and sea cucumbers that are designated as food for humans or animals or taken for recreational purposes from licensing requirements; and (2) requires the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to amend regulations concerning transporting wildlife to clarify that those sea urchins and sea cucumbers are fishery products exempt from the export permission requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973. Thus, those exporters will be exempted from: (1) inspections to ensure shipments of those fishery products do not contain endangered or threatened species, and (2) related inspection fees.

## Actions Timeline

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