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Foreign Spill Protection Act of 2017

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Sponsor

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Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Jan 12, 2017
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Jan 12, 2017

Committee Activity

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Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 12, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 2810	Related bill	Dec 12, 2017: Became Public Law No: 115-91.
115 HR 468	Identical bill	Jan 13, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.

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This bill amends the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to make foreign facilities that are located offshore and outside the exclusive economic zone (EEZ) liable for removal costs and damages that result from oil spills that reach (or threaten to reach) U.S. navigable waters, adjoining shorelines, or the EEZ. Specifically, the following parties may be held liable: (1) the owners or operators of the foreign facilities, including facilities located in, on, or under any land within foreign countries; and (2) the holders of a right of use and easement granted under applicable foreign law for the area in which the facility is located.

Actions Timeline

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