

S 2511

CENOTE Act of 2018

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]

Party: Republican • **State:** MS • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Mar 7, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 28, 2018
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 9, 2018
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 5, 2018
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 28, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Commercial Engagement Through Ocean Technology Act of 2018 or the CENOTE Act of 2018

(Sec. 3) This bill requires the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to direct the Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR) and the Office of Marine and Aviation Operations (OMAO) to coordinate the assessment and acquisition of unmanned maritime systems.

NOAA must coordinate with the Department of the Navy to leverage expertise in the development and operational transition of unmanned maritime systems. It may also coordinate with other federal agencies, the academic sector, and the private sector to maximize research opportunities and to support commercialization of unmanned maritime systems.

(Sec. 4) The OAR and OMAO must regularly assess publicly and commercially available unmanned maritime systems for potential use to support the missions of NOAA.

(Sec. 5) NOAA must coordinate and centralize its acquisition of unmanned maritime systems to meet the prioritized list of data requirements identified by the OAR and OMAO.

(Sec. 6) NOAA must submit to Congress a report on the usage of unmanned maritime systems for its mission.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 21, 2018:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 21, 2018:** Became Public Law No: 115-394.
- **Dec 20, 2018:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 18, 2018:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 17, 2018:** Resolving differences -- Senate actions: Senate agreed to the House amendment to S. 2511 by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S7727)
- **Dec 17, 2018:** Senate agreed to the House amendment to S. 2511 by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S7727)
- **Dec 11, 2018:** Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill.
- **Dec 10, 2018:** Mr. Young (AK) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Dec 10, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H9790-9792)
- **Dec 10, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 2511.
- **Dec 10, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H9790-9791)
- **Dec 10, 2018:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H9790-9791)
- **Dec 10, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 5, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans.
- **Aug 28, 2018:** Received in the House.
- **Aug 28, 2018:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Science, Space, and Technology, and Armed Services, 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.
- **Aug 27, 2018:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Aug 23, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S5937-5938; text: CR S5937-5938)
- **Aug 23, 2018:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S5937-5938; text: CR S5937-5938)
- **Jul 9, 2018:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Thune with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 115-291.
- **Jul 9, 2018:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 504.
- **Apr 25, 2018:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Mar 7, 2018:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 7, 2018:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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