

## HR 2748

SOS Act of 2017

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans. (Jun 12, 2017)

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Rep. Schrader, Kurt [D-OR-5]	D · OR		Nov 28, 2017
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Nov 28, 2017
Rep. Palazzo, Steven M. [R-MS-4]	R · MS		Jan 11, 2018
Rep. Rothfus, Keith J. [R-PA-12]	R · PA		Jan 11, 2018

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Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-8]	R · PA		Apr 25, 2018
Rep. Gabbard, Tulsi [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Apr 25, 2018
Rep. Royce, Edward R. [R-CA-39]	R · CA		May 17, 2018
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Jul 13, 2018
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Rep. Rooney, Francis [R-FL-19]	R · FL		Jul 24, 2018

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 12, 2017
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	May 26, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 756	Identical bill	<b>Dec 21, 2018:</b> Became Public Law No: 115-391.

## Summary (as of May 25, 2017)

### Save Our Seas Act of 2017 or the SOS Act of 2017

This bill amends the Marine Debris Act to revise the Marine Debris Program to require the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to work with: (1) other agencies to address both land- and sea-based sources of marine debris, and (2) the Department of State and other agencies to promote international action to reduce the incidence of marine debris.

The bill also revises the program by allowing NOAA to make sums available for assisting in the cleanup and response required by severe marine debris events. NOAA must prioritize assistance for activities that respond to a severe marine debris event in: (1) a rural or remote community, or (2) a habitat of national concern.

The bill urges the President to: (1) work with foreign countries that contribute the most to the global marine debris problem in order to find a solution to the problem; (2) study issues related to marine debris, including the economic impacts of marine debris; and (3) encourage the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative to consider the impact of marine debris in relevant future trade agreements.

The Interagency Marine Debris Coordinating Committee must expand to include a senior official from the State Department or from the Department of the Interior.

This bill reauthorizes for FY2018-FY2022: (1) the Marine Debris Program, (2) an information clearinghouse on marine debris, and (3) enforcement of laws about discarded marine debris from ships.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jun 12, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans.
- **May 26, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- **May 25, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **May 25, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, 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.