

## S 3138

### AQUAA Act

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Public Lands and Natural Resources

**Introduced:** Jun 26, 2018

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Jun 26, 2018)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/3138>

### Sponsor

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

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Jun 26, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 26, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 6966	Identical bill	Oct 22, 2018: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture.

### Summary (as of Jun 26, 2018)

#### Advancing the Quality and Understanding of American Aquaculture Act or the AQUAA Act

This bill directs the Department of Commerce to establish an Office of Marine Aquaculture within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to coordinate regulatory, scientific, outreach, and international issues related to aquaculture.

Commerce must establish a research and development program to award competitive, peer-reviewed grants to fund research and extension services, including to develop and evaluate methodologies to prevent, minimize, and mitigate potential adverse ecosystem and socioeconomic impacts of marine aquaculture.

## **Actions Timeline**

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