

S 396

A bill to make technical amendments to certain marine fish conservation statutes, and for other purposes.

Congress: 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

Introduced: Feb 15, 2017

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans. (Oct 4, 2017)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]

Party: Democratic • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		Feb 15, 2017
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		Feb 15, 2017
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Feb 15, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Sep 19, 2017
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 4, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 4528	Identical bill	Aug 2, 2018: Became Public Law No: 115-228.

(Sec. 1) This bill amends the Billfish Conservation Act of 2012 to limit the sale of billfish caught by U.S. fishing vessels.

Under current law, billfish that are caught by U.S. vessels and landed (unloaded onshore) in Hawaii or Pacific Insular Areas (American Samoa, Baker Island, Guam, Howland Island, Jarvis Island, Johnston Atoll, Kingman Reef, Midway Island, the Northern Mariana Islands, Palmyra Atoll, and Wake Island) may be sold and exported to non-U.S. markets or transported to other U.S. markets.

This bill requires billfish caught by U.S. vessels and landed in Hawaii or Pacific Insular Areas to be retained for sale in those areas.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 4, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans.
- **Oct 3, 2017:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Oct 3, 2017:** Received in the House.
- **Oct 3, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.
- **Oct 2, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote.(consideration: CR S6263; text: CR S6263)
- **Oct 2, 2017:** Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote. (consideration: CR S6263; text: CR S6263)
- **Sep 19, 2017:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Thune without amendment. With written report No. 115-160.
- **Sep 19, 2017:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 224.
- **May 18, 2017:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Feb 15, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 15, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.