

## HR 5168

To amend the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 to establish seaweed as a high-priority research and extension area, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Agriculture and Food

**Introduced:** Mar 5, 2018

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research. (Mar 28, 2018)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/5168>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]

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

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 28, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Mar 5, 2018)

This bill amends the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 to establish seaweed as a high-priority research and extension area for which the Department of Agriculture (USDA) may make competitive grants to support research and extension activities. USDA may make grants for carrying out or enhancing research with respect to the harvesting of seaweed for voluntary use for the livestock, poultry, and food animal production industries for purposes of the reduction of methane emissions.

The bill also reauthorizes the USDA high-priority research and extension initiatives through FY2023.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 28, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research.
- **Mar 5, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 5, 2018:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.