

S 793

Shark Fin Trade Elimination Act of 2017

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]

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

Cosponsors (39 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Mar 30, 2017
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Mar 30, 2017
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Mar 30, 2017
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	R · OK		Mar 30, 2017
Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Mar 30, 2017
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Mar 30, 2017
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Mar 30, 2017
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Mar 30, 2017
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 30, 2017
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Mar 30, 2017
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Oct 30, 2017
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Oct 30, 2017
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Oct 30, 2017
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Oct 30, 2017
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Oct 30, 2017
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Oct 30, 2017
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Oct 30, 2017
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Oct 30, 2017
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Oct 31, 2017
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Nov 9, 2017
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Nov 9, 2017
Sen. Harris, Kamala D. [D-CA]	D · CA		Nov 16, 2017
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Nov 28, 2017
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Dec 12, 2017
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Dec 12, 2017
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Dec 12, 2017
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Dec 19, 2017
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Dec 19, 2017
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		Dec 19, 2017
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Dec 21, 2017
Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		Jan 16, 2018
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 27, 2018
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		May 16, 2018
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Sep 17, 2018
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Sep 17, 2018
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		Sep 18, 2018
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Sep 28, 2018
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Sep 28, 2018
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		Oct 2, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 27, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Animals

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1456	Related bill	Apr 17, 2018: Subcommittee Hearings Held.
115 HR 2463	Related bill	May 24, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans.

Summary (as of Nov 27, 2018)

Shark Fin Trade Elimination Act of 2017

This bill makes it illegal to possess, buy, sell, or transport shark fins or any product containing shark fins, except for certain dogfish fins. A person may possess a shark fin that was lawfully taken consistent with a license or permit under certain circumstances.

Penalties are imposed for violations under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The maximum civil penalty for each violation shall be \$100,000, or the fair market value of the shark fins involved, whichever is greater.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 27, 2018:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Thune with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 115-388.
- **Nov 27, 2018:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 675.
- **May 18, 2017:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Mar 30, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 30, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.