

## S 849

### SMASH Act

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Apr 5, 2017

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Sep 8, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/849>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]

**Party:** Independent • **State:** ME • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		Apr 5, 2017
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Apr 5, 2017
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Apr 5, 2017
Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]	R · TN		Apr 27, 2017
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Apr 27, 2017
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		May 1, 2017

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 8, 2017
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Reported By	May 1, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 6378	Related bill	<b>Sep 26, 2018:</b> Received in the Senate.
115 HR 1310	Related bill	<b>Mar 17, 2017:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the Senate on May 1, 2017. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

### **Strengthening Mosquito Abatement for Safety and Health Act or the SMASH Act**

(Sec. 2) This bill amends the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend through FY2022 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) grants for mosquito control programs. The grant program is expanded so that grants may be used to address emerging, infectious mosquito-borne diseases and to improve existing control programs. The CDC must give preference to applicants that have: (1) a public health emergency due to a mosquito-borne disease, or (2) a control program that is consistent with existing state preparedness plans. The requirement for matching funds may be waived if the area covered by a grant applicant has an extreme need due to the size or density of the potentially impacted human population, the size or density of the mosquito population that requires heightened control, or the severity of the mosquito-borne disease.

(Sec. 3) CDC grants to help public health agencies improve surveillance and response activities are extended through FY2022.

(Sec. 4) The Government Accountability Office must report on the surveillance and control of mosquito-borne infectious diseases in the United States and territories.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 8, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Sep 7, 2017:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 7, 2017:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 7, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- **Sep 6, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote.(consideration: CR S5018-5019; text: S5018-5019)
- **Sep 6, 2017:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote. (consideration: CR S5018-5019; text: S5018-5019)
- **May 1, 2017:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Reported by Senator Alexander with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **May 1, 2017:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 45.
- **Apr 26, 2017:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Apr 5, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 5, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.