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Maritime Administration Authorization and Enhancement Act of 2019

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Markup By	May 15, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1790	Related bill	Dec 20, 2019: Became Public Law No: 116-92.
116 S 1417	Related bill	May 9, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
116 S 1287	Related bill	May 2, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
116 S 1269	Related bill	May 1, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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This bill addresses (1) several aspects of the U.S. Maritime Administration (MARAD); (2) illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing (IUU fishing); and (3) maritime security.

Among other things, the bill

- reauthorizes MARAD programs, including programs associated with maintaining the U.S. Merchant Marine;
- promotes transparency and traceability in the seafood supply chain;
- promotes the use of technology to combat IUU fishing;
- establishes an interagency working group on maritime security, IUU fishing, and seafood fraud; and
- establishes a sub-working group to address IUU fishing within the U.S. exclusive economic zone in the Gulf of Mexico.

Actions Timeline

- **May 15, 2019:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with amendments favorably.
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