

## S 1546

### ESCAPE Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Transportation and Public Works

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (May 20, 2019)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]

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

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		May 20, 2019
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 11, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 20, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 2302	Related bill	Jan 8, 2020: By Senator Barrasso from Committee on Environment and Public Works filed written report. Report No. 116-200.
116 HR 2838	Identical bill	May 21, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.

## **Enhancing the Strength and Capacity of America's Primary Evacuation routes Act or the ESCAPE Act**

This bill directs the Department of Transportation to (1) establish criteria for eligible entities to identify mass evacuation routes, (2) establish a competitive grant program to provide grants for resilience projects that strengthen and protect evacuation routes that are essential for providing and supporting mass evacuations caused by emergency events, and (3) provide grants to resilience projects that ensure the ability of the evacuation route to provide safe passage during a mass evacuation and reduce the risk of damage to evacuation routes as a result of future emergency events.

### **Actions Timeline**

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