

## S 2346

### Fishery Failures: Urgently Needed Disaster Declarations Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Public Lands and Natural Resources

**Introduced:** Jul 30, 2019

**Current Status:** Held at the desk.

**Latest Action:** Held at the desk. (Dec 21, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/2346>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Nov 12, 2019
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Nov 13, 2019
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Nov 21, 2019
Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA]	R · LA		Aug 3, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 16, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 5548	Related bill	<b>Jan 14, 2020:</b> Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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This bill revises the review process for making fishery resource disaster determinations.

Among other things, the bill

- maintains the authority of the Department of Commerce to determine the existence of a fishery disaster;
- sets forth requirements for initiating a request for a fishery resource disaster review;
- provides a 120-day time frame for Commerce to evaluate a request, beginning either upon receipt or at the close of the fishery season, if the fishery season closes;
- establishes criteria for Commerce to use when making a determination about whether a fishery resource disaster has occurred;
- lists eligible uses of fishery disaster relief funds, including for habitat conservation and restoration that reduce adverse impacts to a fishery; and
- adds additional reporting requirements related to U.S. fishery management.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 21, 2020:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 21, 2020:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 21, 2020:** Held at the desk.
- **Dec 20, 2020:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7868-7871; text: CR S7868-7871)
- **Dec 20, 2020:** The committee substitute withdrawn by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 20, 2020:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote.(text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR S7878-7880)
- **Dec 20, 2020:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote. (text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR S7878-7880)
- **Nov 16, 2020:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Wicker with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 116-293.
- **Nov 16, 2020:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 586.
- **Nov 13, 2019:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jul 30, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 30, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.