

HR 2352

Marine Oil Spill Prevention Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Environmental Protection

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Rep. Rooney, Francis [R-FL-19]	R · FL		May 9, 2019
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Rep. Frankel, Lois [D-FL-21]	D · FL		Jun 3, 2019
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 29, 2019
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 29, 2019
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 22, 2019
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 23, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 286	Related bill	Feb 5, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.

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This bill address issues related to preventing and responding to oil spills.

Among other things, the bill

- requires the Department of the Interior to consult with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) before approving an oil and gas lease program;
- authorizes the Department of Commerce to make grants to states to ensure sufficient oil spill planning and response capabilities;
- prohibits oil and gas leasing in certain areas of the Eastern Gulf of Mexico Planning Area, the South Atlantic Planning area, and the Straits of Florida Planning Area;
- sets forth provisions concerning Coast Guard responsibilities, including designating areas that are at heightened risk of oil spills and implementing measures to ameliorate that risk;
- establishes a Gulf Coast Regional Citizens' Advisory Council to advise on facilities and tank vessels;
- permits the U.S. Coast Guard or Commerce to request a National Transportation Safety Board investigation of certain accidents occurring in the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS);
- establishes inspection fees for OCS facilities;
- requires a comprehensive review of NOAA's capacity to respond to oil spills;
- directs the Coast Guard to evaluate and validate oil pollution containment and removal methods and technologies;
- requires NOAA to carry out a long-term marine environment monitoring and research program for the Gulf of Mexico; and
- directs the Coast Guard to publish within 12 hours an Incident Action Plan in response to an oil spill.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 29, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.
- **Apr 29, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.
- **Apr 23, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- **Apr 22, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 22, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, and Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Apr 22, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment.