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Arctic Shipping Federal Advisory Committee Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Nov 5, 2019
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Nov 5, 2019
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Dec 11, 2019

Committee Activity

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

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill directs the Department of Transportation (DOT) to establish an Arctic Shipping Federal Advisory Committee to advise DOT on matters related to Arctic maritime transportation, including Arctic seaway development.

The committee must

- develop a set of policy recommendations that would enhance the leadership role played by the United States in improving the safety and reliability of Arctic maritime transportation in accordance with customary international maritime law,
- consider establishing a congressionally chartered seaway development corporation modeled on the St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, and
- provide advice and recommendations to DOT on Arctic marine transportation.

The bill requires any Special Representative for the Arctic Region appointed by the Department of State to coordinate any activities recommended by the committee's implementation plan and to facilitate multilateral dialogues with member and observer nations of the Arctic Council.

Actions Timeline

- **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. 116-295.
- **Nov 16, 2020:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 588.
- **Dec 11, 2019:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Nov 5, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 5, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.