

## S 2975

### Stop the Spread of Invasive Mussels Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

**Introduced:** Dec 4, 2019

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (Dec 4, 2019)

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## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]

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

## Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Daines, Steve [R-MT]	R · MT		Dec 4, 2019
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Dec 4, 2019
Sen. Gardner, Cory [R-CO]	R · CO		Mar 2, 2020
Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Jul 28, 2020
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		Nov 18, 2020

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 4, 2019

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 6057	Related bill	Mar 10, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.

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This bill directs the Bureau of Reclamation to provide financial assistance to states with Reclamation projects to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species into and out of reservoirs operated and maintained by Reclamation, including assistance to purchase, establish, operate, or maintain a watercraft inspection and decontamination station that has the highest likelihood of preventing the spread of aquatic invasive species.

In providing financial assistance, Reclamation must prioritize projects that (1) prevent the spread of an aquatic invasive species to waters under its jurisdiction, including irrigation, reclamation, or other water projects; and (2) align with the priorities of the state and with the document titled *Quagga-Zebra Mussel Action Plan for Western U.S. Waters*, published in February 2010.

The bill provides authority for each federal agency on the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force to (1) conduct mandatory inspections and decontamination of watercraft; and (2) if necessary, impound, quarantine, or otherwise prevent entry of a watercraft. The membership of the task force is expanded to include the National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, and Reclamation.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 4, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
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