

S 4144

Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act of 2020

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (1 total)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Markup By	Jul 22, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 4828	Related bill	Nov 6, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.

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This bill reauthorizes through FY2025 and modifies use of the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund, which provides funding for several things, including fisheries conservation and management, water and boating infrastructure, and recreational boating safety. The bill modifies use of the Federal Aid to Wildlife Restoration Fund, which supports wildlife restoration, conservation, and hunter education and safety programs.

The bill also requires the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to report on (1) the increasing use of nonmotorized vessels and their impacts on motorized and nonmotorized vessel access, (2) user conflicts at waterway access points, (3) the use of Sport Fish Restoration Program funds to improve nonmotorized vessel access and the reasons for providing such access, and (4) the use of Recreational Boating Safety Program funds for nonmotorized boating safety programs.

The GAO shall consult with the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council and the National Boating Safety Advisory Council on study design, scope, and priorities for the report.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 22, 2020:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jul 1, 2020:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 1, 2020:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.