

## S 5056

### OCEAN Act of 2020

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

**Introduced:** Dec 17, 2020

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Dec 17, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/5056>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]

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

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 17, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1730	Related bill	Dec 15, 2020: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 631.
116 HR 7387	Related bill	Nov 17, 2020: Committee Hearings Held.
116 HR 8627	Related bill	Nov 17, 2020: Committee Hearings Held.
116 HR 8750	Related bill	Nov 12, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.
116 HR 7450	Related bill	Jul 28, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.
116 HR 3297	Related bill	Mar 4, 2020: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .
116 S 2166	Related bill	Dec 19, 2019: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 396.
116 HR 729	Related bill	Dec 12, 2019: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
116 HR 2185	Related bill	Dec 3, 2019: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 261.
116 HR 3115	Related bill	Nov 26, 2019: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 257.
116 HR 335	Related bill	Oct 15, 2019: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
116 HR 1314	Related bill	Oct 11, 2019: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 183.
116 HR 1237	Related bill	Jun 10, 2019: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
116 HR 1716	Related bill	Jun 10, 2019: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
116 HR 1921	Related bill	Jun 10, 2019: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
116 S 778	Related bill	Mar 13, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
116 HR 414	Related bill	Feb 7, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.

## Summary (as of Dec 17, 2020)

### Ocean Climate Emergency Action Now Act of 2020 or the OCEAN Act of 2020

This bill addresses climate change and establishes programs and incentives concerning efforts to

- protect oceans, coastal ecosystems, and wildlife;
- support fisheries;
- support certain seaweed and shellfish farming;
- help coastal communities adapt to and mitigate the effects of climate change and sea level rise; and
- reduce or halt greenhouse gas emissions.

## Actions Timeline

- Dec 17, 2020: Introduced in Senate
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