

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)

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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

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