

HR 8146

Imported Seafood Testing Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** LA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 1, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill requires the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to inspect a certain amount of imported seafood each year and contains other provisions related to imported seafood.

Specifically, the FDA must inspect at least 20% of all imported seafood each year and must also inspect the first 15 shipments imported into the United States by a new exporter.

The bill also imposes various requirements and penalties for failed inspections, including by (1) requiring the destruction of a shipment that would have caused significant health risks, and (2) barring imports from a country with a pattern of failed inspections.

The bill also imposes civil penalties for knowingly making a false statement with respect to such inspections or misbranding imported seafood.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 1, 2020:** Introduced in House
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