

S 3262

FREIGHT Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]

Party: Republican • **State:** MS • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN]	R · TN		Nov 18, 2021
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Nov 18, 2021
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		Nov 18, 2021
Sen. Young, Todd [R-IN]	R · IN		Nov 18, 2021
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Nov 29, 2021
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		Nov 29, 2021
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Mar 23, 2022
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Mar 31, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Dec 12, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Facilitating Relief for Efficient Intermodal Gateways to Handle Transportation Act or the FREIGHT Act

This bill makes multiple changes to address the efficiency of ports and the intermodal shipping of cargo.

The Bureau of Transportation Statistics of the Department of Transportation must publish data about the dwell time of marine shipping containers and chassis (i.e., the quantity of time such equipment is subject to maintenance versus in use). The bill also requires a study on best practices for operating a chassis pool to optimize supply chains.

In addition, the bill modifies duties and authorities of the Federal Maritime Commission (FMC), including by

- providing statutory authority for an office that offers mediation and related services to resolve issues under the FMC's jurisdiction; and
- authorizing the FMC to expand data-sharing between port operators, shippers, and other stakeholders to facilitate efficient freight operations if the FMC determines port congestion constitutes an emergency.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 12, 2022:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Cantwell with an amendment. Without written report.
- **Dec 12, 2022:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 625.
- **Mar 22, 2022:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment favorably.
- **Nov 18, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 18, 2021:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.