

S 4321

Save Our Seas 2.0 Amendments Act

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Environmental Protection

Introduced: May 26, 2022

Current Status: Held at the desk.

Latest Action: Held at the desk. (Dec 23, 2022)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		May 26, 2022
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		May 26, 2022
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 23, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Dec 15, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 9255	Related bill	Oct 31, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.

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This bill revises provisions governing the administration of the Marine Debris Foundation and the Marine Debris Program.

Specifically, the bill allows the foundation to use appropriated funds for employee salaries for the two years following the bill's enactment. The bill also allows the foundation to locate its principal office outside of the District of Columbia and encourages the foundation to locate it in a coastal state.

In addition, the bill requires the foundation to develop best practices for conducting outreach to Indian tribes.

The bill also requires the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to approve appointments to the foundation's board of directors.

NOAA may enter into other agreements, outside of contracts, under the Marine Debris Program. NOAA may also make in-kind contributions for projects under the program.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 23, 2022:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 23, 2022:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 23, 2022:** Held at the desk.
- **Dec 22, 2022:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S10100-10102)
- **Dec 22, 2022:** The committee amendment withdrawn by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 22, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 22, 2022:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S10100-10102)
- **Dec 15, 2022:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Cantwell with an amendment. Without written report.
- **Dec 15, 2022:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 663.
- **Jun 22, 2022:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment favorably.
- **May 26, 2022:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 26, 2022:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.