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### South Florida Clean Coastal Waters Act of 2021

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Environmental Protection

**Introduced:** Jan 27, 2021

**Current Status:** Became Public Law No: 117-144.

**Latest Action:** Became Public Law No: 117-144. (Jun 16, 2022)

**Law:** 117-144 (Enacted Jun 16, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/66>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL]	R · FL		Jan 27, 2021

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Dec 17, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 565	Identical bill	<b>Feb 22, 2021:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.

### Summary (as of Jun 16, 2022)

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This bill addresses harmful algal blooms and hypoxia in the South Florida ecosystem. An algal bloom is a rapid growth of algae that may create toxic or hypoxic (severely low-oxygen) conditions that are harmful to humans, animals, aquatic ecosystems, and the economy.

The Inter-Agency Task Force on Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia must assess potential approaches to reduce harmful algal blooms and hypoxia in the ecosystem. The task force must also submit a plan, based on the assessment, for reducing, mitigating, and controlling harmful algal blooms and hypoxia in the region.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jun 16, 2022:** Signed by President.
- **Jun 16, 2022:** Became Public Law No: 117-144.
- **Jun 9, 2022:** Presented to President.
- **May 11, 2022:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4832-4833)
- **May 11, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 412 - 7 (Roll no. 152).
- **May 11, 2022:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 412 - 7 (Roll no. 152). (text: 05/10/2022 CR H4731-4732)
- **May 11, 2022:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 10, 2022:** Ms. Stevens moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **May 10, 2022:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4731-4733)
- **May 10, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 66.
- **May 10, 2022:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Mar 8, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S1066-1067; text: CR S1066-1067)
- **Mar 8, 2022:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S1066-1067; text: CR S1066-1067)
- **Mar 8, 2022:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Mar 8, 2022:** Received in the House.
- **Mar 8, 2022:** Held at the desk.
- **Feb 3, 2022:** By Senator Cantwell from Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation filed written report. Report No. 117-64.
- **Dec 17, 2021:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Cantwell without amendment. Without written report.
- **Dec 17, 2021:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 203.
- **Jun 16, 2021:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jan 27, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 27, 2021:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.