

## HR 9086

### Puerto Rico Recovery Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Transportation and Public Works

**Introduced:** Sep 29, 2022

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management. (Sep 30, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/9086>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NY • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Sep 29, 2022
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Sep 29, 2022
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Sep 29, 2022
Rep. Torres, Ritchie [D-NY-15]	D · NY		Sep 29, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 30, 2022
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### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 4999	Identical bill	Sep 28, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## Puerto Rico Recovery Act

This bill requires the U.S. Coast Guard to provide temporary exemptions from certain Jones Act restrictions to vessels providing relief to Puerto Rico for areas affected by Hurricane Fiona. The Jones Act requires that vessels transporting merchandise or passengers between Puerto Rico and other U.S. ports be built in the United States, be at least 75% owned by U.S. citizens, and be mostly crewed by U.S. citizens.

The exemptions are valid for one year or until the end of the major disaster declaration of September 22, 2022, for Puerto Rico, whichever comes first.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 30, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- **Sep 30, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.
- **Sep 29, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 29, 2022:** Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.