

S 3277

A bill to amend the Marine Debris Act to reauthorize the Marine Debris Program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

Introduced: Nov 9, 2023

Current Status: Held at the desk.

Latest Action: Held at the desk. (Dec 4, 2024)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/senate-bill/3277>

Sponsor

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

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Nov 9, 2023
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 13, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Aug 1, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 6781	Identical bill	Jan 2, 2024: Referred to the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.

Summary (as of Dec 3, 2024)

This bill reauthorizes the Marine Debris Program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration through FY2028.

The mission of the Marine Debris Program is to investigate and prevent the adverse impacts of marine debris on the U.S. economy, the marine environment, and navigation safety. Under current law, marine debris includes any manufactured or processed persistent solid material that is disposed of or abandoned into the marine environment or the Great Lakes (directly or indirectly, intentionally or unintentionally).

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 4, 2024:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 4, 2024:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 4, 2024:** Held at the desk.
- **Dec 3, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 3, 2024:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S6788; text: CR S6788)
- **Aug 1, 2024:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Cantwell without amendment. Without written report.
- **Aug 1, 2024:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 479.
- **Jul 31, 2024:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Nov 9, 2023:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 9, 2023:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.