

HR 3939

AUKUS Undersea Defense Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 9, 2023
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 9, 2023

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

AUKUS Undersea Defense Act

This bill authorizes the Department of Defense (DOD) to sell Australia up to two Virginia-class attack submarines under the Australia-United Kingdom-United States security partnership agreement (AUKUS). The bill authorizes DOD to transfer the submarines from existing Navy inventories. The bill also

- applies existing law to the transfer under this bill of special nuclear material related to submarine reactors,
- authorizes the Navy to determine the appropriate shipyard in any of the AUKUS countries for repair of U.S. Navy submarines,
- establishes a submarine security activities account to accept payments from Australia for non-nuclear related aspects of submarine security activities, and
- authorizes the President to transfer defense services to Australia to develop the Australian submarine industrial base for AUKUS activities.

Actions Timeline

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