

HR 347

Sea Turtle Rescue Assistance and Rehabilitation Act of 2025

Congress: 119 (2025–2027, Current)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Animals

Introduced: Jan 13, 2025

Current Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources. (Jan 13, 2025)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-9]

Party: Democratic • State: MA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (19 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Feb 5, 2025
Rep. Garbarino, Andrew R. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Feb 5, 2025
Rep. Mace, Nancy [R-SC-1]	R · SC		Feb 5, 2025
Rep. Magaziner, Seth [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Feb 5, 2025
Rep. Elfreth, Sarah [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Feb 27, 2025
Rep. Kiggans, Jennifer A. [R-VA-2]	R · VA		Feb 27, 2025
Rep. Norcross, Donald [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Mar 5, 2025
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Mar 5, 2025
Rep. Bice, Stephanie I. [R-OK-5]	R · OK		Mar 11, 2025
Rep. Nehls, Troy E. [R-TX-22]	R · TX		Mar 11, 2025
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Mar 11, 2025
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Mar 25, 2025
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-50]	D · CA		Mar 25, 2025
Rep. Fry, Russell [R-SC-7]	R · SC		May 8, 2025
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-28]	D · CA		May 19, 2025
Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]	R · GA		Sep 3, 2025
Rep. Foushee, Valerie P. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Sep 3, 2025
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Sep 8, 2025
Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Sep 8, 2025

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 13, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Animals

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 S 843	Related bill	Jul 16, 2025: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 118.

Summary (as of Jan 13, 2025)

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This bill expands the John H. Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue and Response Grant Program to include separate grants to rescue sea turtles for the next seven years. The grants must be used for

- the recovery, care, or treatment of sick, injured, or entangled sea turtles;
- responses to rescue stranded sea turtles;
- the collection of data and samples from living or dead stranded sea turtles for scientific research or health assessments;
- facility operating costs that are directly related to activities to assist sea turtles; or
- development of stranding network capacity where facilities do not exist or are sparse.

In addition, the bill establishes the Sea Turtle Rescue, Rehabilitation, and Rapid Response Fund.

Actions Timeline

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