



Eighty-first Congress (First Session)

JUNE 1949

Listed below are all the public bills, joint resolutions, etc. introduced, referred to committees, and passed by the Eighty-First Congress during June 1949 (unless otherwise specified) which affect in any way the fisheries and fishing and allied industries.

PUBLIC BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEES:

House of Representatives:

- H. R. 5041 (Multer) - A bill to amend the Act entitled "An Act to promote export trade, and for other purposes", approved April 10, 1918, to provide that no export trade association shall restrict any foreign buyer from dealing, directly or through an agent of his own selection, with any producer, manufacturer, or seller; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- H. R. 5044 (Maybank) - A bill to continue for a temporary period certain powers, authority, and discretion in respect to tin and tin products conferred upon the President by the Second Decontrol Act of 1947, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.
- H. R. 5067 (King) - A bill to give effect to the convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica for the establishment of an Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission, signed at Washington, May 31, 1949; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.
- H. R. 5089 (Byrnes) - A bill to encourage the prevention of water pollution by allowing amounts paid for industrial waste treatment works to be amortized at an accelerated rate for income-tax purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.
- H. R. 5091 (Chatham) - Same as H.R. 5089; to the Committee on Ways and Means.
- H. R. 5228 (Doyle) - A bill to give effect to the convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica for the establishment of an Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission, signed at Washington, May 31, 1949; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.
- H. R. 5280 (Celler) - A bill relating to the rights of the several states in lands beneath inland navigable waters and to the recognition of equities in submerged coastal lands adjacent to the shores of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- H. R. 5322 (Peterson) - A bill to provide price support for natural sponges; to the Committee on Agriculture.

H. R. 5365 (Larcado) - A bill to provide for the transfer of the vessel Black Mallard to the State of Louisiana for the use and benefit of the department of wildlife and fisheries of such State; to the Committee on Public Lands.

H. R. 5395 (Fulton) - A bill to encourage the prevention of stream pollution by allowing amounts paid for plants for the treatment of industrial waste as a deduction in computing net income; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The following bills introduced prior to June 1, 1949, were not previously shown under this section:

H. Res. 233 (Bland) - Resolution authorizing expenses of conducting investigation of certain matters pertaining to the merchant marine and fisheries of the United States; to the Committee on House Administration.

H. R. 2634 (Bartlett) - A bill to provide transportation of passengers and merchandise on Canadian vessels between Skagway, Alaska, and other points in Alaska, and between Haines, Alaska, and other points in Alaska, and between Hyder, Alaska, and other points in Alaska or the continental United States, either directly or via a foreign port, or for any part of the transportation; to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. (Introduced February 14, 1949).

H. R. 4538 (Granger) - A bill to amend the Agricultural Act of 1948 by adding thereto a new section to establish an average parity price for fats and oils (includes marine fats and oils) and to aid in maintaining such parity price to producers; referred to the Committee on Agriculture. (Introduced May 5, 1949).

Senate:

S. 1988 (Wherry for Cain) - A bill to provide for the holding of referendums among the citizens of the States to determine their wishes with respect to the establishment of valley authorities which would include their States; to the Committee on Public Works.

S. 1994 (Maybank) - A bill to continue for a temporary period certain powers, authority, and discretion in respect to tin and tin products conferred upon the President by the Second Decontrol Act of 1947, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

S. 2036 (Kefauver for himself and 19 others) - A bill to provide for the admission of Alaska into the Union, to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

S. 2080 (Johnson) - A bill to authorize the regulation of whaling and to give effect to the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling signed at Washington under date of December 2, 1946, by the United States of America and certain other governments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

S. 2097 (Pepper and Holland) - A bill to provide price support for natural sponges; to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

S. 2133 (Downey) - A bill to give effect to the convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica for the establishment of an Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission, signed at Washington, May 31, 1949; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

S. 2153 (O'Mahoney) - A bill relating to the rights of the several states in lands beneath inland navigable waters and to the recognition of equities in submerged coastal lands adjacent to the shores

of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

TREATY RECEIVED:

Convention between U. S. and Costa Rica for establishment of Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission was received (Exec.P).

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

House of Representatives:

H. Res. 174 (Weichel), amended, requesting the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Commerce, and the Tariff Commission to investigate the domestic fishing industry. Passed on the call of the consent calendar, June 20, 1949. Provides for a study of the effect of imports on the domestic fishing industry, with a report and recommendation to be made by September 15, 1949. No further action is required on H. Res. 174, and the agencies have commenced the task of studying and reporting.

BILL SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT:

H. R. 2361 (P. L. 109) - An act to provide for the reorganization of Government agencies, and for other purposes. "Reorganization Act of 1949." Signed and approved June 20, 1949.

CONVENTION RATIFIED:

Senate:

International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (1948): Was ratified by the United States Senate in April 1949 without amendment. Signed in June 1948, at London, it will come into force January 1, 1951, provided, at least 12 months before that date, that not less than 15 acceptances including 7 by countries with at least 1,000,000 gross tons of shipping each, have been deposited. (See Commercial Fisheries Review, September 1948, page 34-35). The Convention itself consists of 15 articles accompanied by 6 chapters of technical regulations.

