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Senate – Coast Guard authorization bill introduced; and  
Senate – Food for Peace Reform bill introduced.

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## **White House – President signs WRRDA**



The White House issued a **statement** saying that President Obama signed into law H.R. 3080, the "**Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014**," which authorizes construction of 34 Army Corps of Engineers water resources projects for flood risk management, navigation, hurricane and storm damage risk reduction, and environmental restoration; modifies previously authorized projects; and contains numerous other water resources project-related provisions. (6/10/14).

## **FMC – order of investigation & hearing**



The Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) issued a notice stating that an Order of Investigation and Hearing has been issued with respect to Huntington International, JC Horizon Ltd, and Judy Lee regarding potential violations of the Shipping Act of 1984. **79 Fed. Reg. 33553** (June 11, 2014).

## NOAA – great hammerhead shark



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) issued a notice stating that it has determined that listing of the great hammerhead shark as either threatened or endangered is not warranted. [79 Fed. Reg. 33509](#) (June 11, 2014).

## USCG – MMC processing times



The USCG National Maritime Center (NMC) issued a **notice** stating that merchant mariner credential processing times remain extended beyond accepted goals. It provides some recommendations that mariners may take to minimize adverse impact while reduction of backlog efforts continue. (6/9/14).

## Senate – Coast Guard authorization bill introduced



Senator Begich (D-AK) introduced the **Coast Guard Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2015 and 2016** (S. 2444) to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2015 through 2016, and for other purposes. (6/5/14).

## Senate – Food for Peace Reform bill introduced



Senator Corker (R-TN) introduced the **Food for Peace Reform Act of 2014** (S. 2421) to amend the Food Assistance Act of 1961 to reform the Food for Peace Program and for other purposes. (6/5/14).

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