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USCG – Hampton Roads PAWSA



The US Coast Guard posted its **Hampton Roads Port and Waterways Safety Assessment (PAWSA)**. The PAWSA identifies major waterway safety hazards, estimates risk levels, evaluates potential mitigation measures, and recommends risk reduction strategies. (5/18/17)

[https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/pawsa/WorkshopReports/Hampton_Roads_PAWSA_workshop_report_July_2016.pdf].

SLSDC – Advisory Board meeting on 26 June



The Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (SLSDC) will meet on 26 June in Washington, DC. **82 Fed. Reg.**

23133 (5/19/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-05-19/pdf/2017-10109.pdf>].

Senate – bill introduced re DOT maritime programs



Senator Fischer (R-NE) introduced the **Maritime Administration Authorization and Enhancement Act for Fiscal Year 2018** (S/ 1096) to amend and enhance certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, and for other purposes. (5/11/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-115s1096is/pdf/BILLS-115s1096is.pdf>].

Senate – bill introduced re small shipyard assistance



Senator Baldwin (D-WI) introduced the **Small Shipyards and Maritime Communities Act** (S. 1100) to amend title 46, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the program to provide assistance for small shipyards and maritime communities through fiscal year 2020, and for other purposes. (5/11/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-115s1100is/pdf/BILLS-115s1100is.pdf>].

Senate – bill introduced re offshore wind tax credit



Senator Markey (D-MA) introduced the **Offshore Wind Incentives for New Development Act** (S. 1102) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an investment tax credit related to the production of electricity from offshore wind. Senator Markey issued a **press release** explaining the measure. (5/11/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-115s1102is/pdf/BILLS-115s1102is.pdf>].

Senate – FMC authorization bill introduced



Senator Fischer (R-NE) introduced the **Federal Maritime Commission Authorization Act of 2017** (S. 1119) to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 for the Federal Maritime Commission, and for other purposes. (5/15/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-115s1119is/pdf/BILLS-115s1119is.pdf>].

Antarctic – threat of terrorist attacks



The UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) issued **foreign travel advice** informing travelers that the threat of terrorist attacks in the British Antarctic Territory can't be ruled out. (5/5/17) [<https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/british-antarctic-territory/terrorism>]. *Note: Don't trust the penguins – they haven't been vetted.*

India – flag state inspections of Indian vessels



The Indian Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) issued a notice announcing that flag state inspection requirements for Indian-flag vessels with good flag state and port state inspection records will be eased to a certain extent. **Merchant Shipping Notice 4-2017** (5/18/17) [http://dgshipping.gov.in/WriteReadData/News/201705180502432616978ms_notice_4_2017_eng.pdf].

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