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USCG – Marine Safety Manual, Vol. III



The US Coast Guard issued an **amended version** of Change-2 to the Marine Safety Manual (MSM), Volume III, Marine Industry Personnel. The amendment is to the top and bottom of page 12 of this lengthy document and corrects a typographical error. (7/19/17)

[<https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=USCG-2016-0669-0017>].

FMC – 19 July meeting



The Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) issued a **news release** summarizing the 19 July meeting of the Commissioners. (7/19/17)

[<https://www.fmc.gov/NR17-16/>].

House – bill introduced re USMMA sexual harassment reporting



Representative Suozzi (D-NY) introduced the **Merchant Marine Academy Improvement Act of 2017** (H.R. 3157) to improve the handling of instances of sexual harassment, dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking at the United States Merchant Marine Academy and for other purposes. (6/29/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-115hr3157ih/pdf/BILLS-115hr3157ih.pdf>].

House – bill introduced re freedom of navigation



Representative Yoho (R-FL) introduced the **Maritime Security Accountability Act of 2017** (H.R. 3187) to advance United States interests in the freedom of navigation by enhancing congressional oversight of freedom of navigation operations conducted by the Armed Forces of the United States (7/11/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-115hr3187ih/pdf/BILLS-115hr3187ih.pdf>].

House – resolution introduced re Port Chicago incident



Representative DeSaulnier (D-CA) introduced a resolution (**H.Res. 452**) expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the necessity to publically exonerate the African-American sailors of the United States Navy who were tried and convicted of mutiny in connection with their service at the Port Chicago Naval Magazine in Concord, California, during World War II in order to further aid in healing the racial divide that continues to exist in the United States. Representative DeSaulnier issued a press release explaining the measure. (7/17/17). [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-115hres452ih/pdf/BILLS-115hres452ih.pdf>].

UK – fatal tug girting and capsizing



The UK Marine Accident Investigation Board (MAIB) issued the report of its investigation of the 20 September 2016 girting and capsizing of the tug Domingue while assisting the container ship CMA CGM Simba departing from the port of Tulear, Madagascar. As a result of the accident two of Domingue's five crew died. **Report 16/2017** (7/19/17)

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/596dd157e5274a0a690001ba/MAIBInvReport16_2017.pdf].

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