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USCG – radar observer refresher training



The US Coast Guard proposes to update its regulations regarding marine radar observer refresher training. Comments must be received by 11 July. **83 Fed. Reg. 26933** (6/8/18) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-06-11/pdf/2018-12502.pdf>].

USCG – MTS cyber awareness webinar



The US Coast Guard posted a **bulletin** announcing that a recording is available online of the recent Marine Transportation System (MTS) cyber awareness webinar. (6/8/18)

[<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2018/06/08/6-8-2018-marine-transportation-system-cyber-awareness-webinar-recording-available-online/>].

USCG – ASP workshop



The US Coast Guard posted a **bulletin** summarizing the recent National Alternative Security Program (ASP) sponsoring organizations workshop. (6/7/18) [<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2018/06/07/6-7-2018-summary-of-national-alternative-security-program-sponsoring-organizations-workshop/>].

DHS – semiannual regulatory agenda



The Department of Homeland Security (HS) posted its Semiannual Regulatory Agenda. The document includes mention of the USCG projects for certificates of financial responsibility (COFR) and seafarers' access to maritime facilities. The agenda is aspirational in nature. **83 Fed. Reg. 27137** (6/8/18) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-06-11/pdf/2018-12502.pdf>].

BOEM – Atlantic OCS renewable energy leasing



The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) has reopened through 5 July the period within which to submit comments on its proposed path forward for future offshore renewable energy leasing on the Atlantic outer continental shelf (OCS). **83 Fed. Reg. 26707** (6/8/18) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-06-08/pdf/2018-12316.pdf>].

House – hearing on maritime transportation in the Arctic



The Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure conducted a **hearing** on the US role in maritime transportation in the Arctic. Testimony was received from **Admiral Charles W. Ray**, USCG; **Mr. David Kennedy**, NOAA; **Ms. Heather A. Conley**, CSIS; **Dr. Lawson Brigham**, University of Alaska; **Ms. Molly McCammon**, Alaska Ocean observing System; and **RADM David W. Titley**, USN (ret), Pennsylvania State University. (6/7/18) [<https://transportation.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=402555>].

House – bill introduced re right whale conservation



Representative Moulton introduced a bill (H.R. 5060) to assist in the conservation of the North Atlantic right whale by supporting and providing financial resources for North Atlantic right whale conservation programs and projects of persons with expertise required for the conservation of North Atlantic right whales. Official text of the bill is not yet available. (6/8/18).

Court – maritime lien supporting in rem action



The US Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit reversed the district court's denial of a warrant in rem for the arrest of a motor yacht for injuries allegedly sustained by a marine engineer while boarding the yacht. The gangway gave way during the boarding, allegedly resulting in personal injury to the plaintiff. The court held that the claim gave rise to a maritime lien supporting an in rem action through operation of the general maritime law. [Minott v M/Y Brunello](#), No. 18-10374 (11th Cir., June 6, 2018) [<http://media.ca11.uscourts.gov/opinions/pub/files/201810374.pdf>].

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