

## Headlines:

Senate – bill introduced to protect marine turtles;  
House – bill introduced re port revenue metric;  
House – bill introduced re USCG survivor benefits;  
CRS – federal user fees;  
Malta – boiler furnace blowback; and  
Nigeria – 40 maritime conventions ratified.

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## **Senate – bill introduced to protect marine turtles**



Senator Barrasso (R-WY) introduced a bill (S. 268) to reauthorize the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program and certain wildlife conservation funds, to establish prize competitions relating to the prevention of wildlife poaching and trafficking, wildlife conservation, the management of invasive species, and the protection of endangered species, to amend the Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004 to modify the protections provided by that Act, and for other purposes. Official text of the bill is not yet available. (1/29/19).

## **House – bill introduced re port revenue metric**



Representative Brownley (D-CA) introduced a bill (H.R. 839) to amend title 49, United States Code, to include a revenue metric in the port

network components to better achieve the policy goals of the National Multimodal Freight Network. Official text of the bill is not yet available. Representative Brownley issued a [press release](#) explaining the measure (1/29/19) [<https://juliabrownley.house.gov/brownley-introduces-bill-to-add-port-of-hueneme-and-other-major-ports-to-national-multimodal-freight-network/>].

### House – bill introduced re USCG survivor benefits



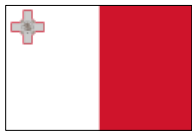
Representative Green (R-TN) introduced a bill (H.R. 847) to provide interim appropriations for the Coast Guard Retired Serviceman's Family Protection and Survivor Benefits Plans for each fiscal year after fiscal year 2018, and for other purposes. Official text of the bill is not yet available. (1/29/19).

### CRS – federal user fees



The Congressional Research Service (CRS) issued a report on the economics of federal user fees. [R45463](#) (1/22/19) [<https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/R45463.pdf>].

### Malta – boiler furnace blowback



Transport Malta issued the report of its investigation of the boiler furnace blowback and injuries to two crew members on a bulker off Qingdao, China on 31 January 2018. The auxiliary boiler was not operating normally and several alarms had activated. The electrician and second engineer switched off the boiler and conducted an inspection. During the inspection, a blowback occurred. Investigation concluded that the boiler furnace contained an explosive mixture of fuel and air which was ignited. [Report 02-2019](#) (1/30/19) [[https://mtip.gov.mt/en/msiu/Documents/MV%20New%20Hampshire%20Trader\\_Final%20Safety%20Investigation%20Report.pdf](https://mtip.gov.mt/en/msiu/Documents/MV%20New%20Hampshire%20Trader_Final%20Safety%20Investigation%20Report.pdf)].

### Nigeria – 40 maritime conventions ratified



The Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA) issued a [news release](#) stating that Nigeria has ratified 40 maritime conventions sponsored by the IMO and ILO and adopted 19 international laws into domestic legislation. (1/25/19) [<http://nimasa.gov.ng/press-center/post/maritime-nigeria-ratifies-40-conventions-domesticates-19-international-laws>].

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