

Maritime Security and Fisheries Enforcement (SAFE) Act



N a m e o f R e s o u r c e	Maritime Security and Fisheries Enforcement (SAFE) Act
T y p e	Legislation
C o u n t r y / j u r i s d i c t i o n	United States of America
E n a c t i n g a u t h o r i t y	Congress
E n t r y i n t o f o r c e / d a t e o f a p p r o v a l	20 December 2019

Description	<p>The Maritime SAFE Act, Sections 3531-3563 of the National Defense Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2020 (P.L. 116-92), adds to and strengthens responses of the U.S. Departments of State and Commerce, and of the U.S. Coast Guard, to illegal, unreported, and unregulated (IUU) fishing and related transnational organized crimes (including trafficking in persons). The Act provides for the Secretary of State, in consultation with Commerce and the Coast Guard, to deliver assistance, as appropriate, for law enforcement training in priority regions and states and capacity building for IUU fishing, customs and border security officials to conduct investigations and prosecutions. The act establishes a federal interagency working group on IUU fishing; and in a series of provisions under the subtitle "Combating Human Trafficking in Connection with the Catching and Processing of Seafood Products," and adds the Secretary of Commerce to the President's Interagency Task Force on Trafficking in Persons and requires a report to Congress on human trafficking, including forced labour, in the supply chains of seafood products imported into the United States.</p>
Availability	<p>ENG: https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/1269/text</p>