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# S. 2487

To authorize appropriations for Fiscal Year 2001 for certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 1, 2000

Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. INOUE) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Maritime Administra-  
5 tion Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001”.

6 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL**  
7 **YEAR 2001.**

8 There are authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-  
9 retary of Transportation for the Maritime Administration  
10 the following amounts:



1           “(1) the date that is 1 year after the date of  
2           enactment of the Maritime Administration Author-  
3           ization Act for Fiscal Year 2001; or

4           “(2) the effective date of the OECD Ship-  
5           building Trade Agreement Act.

6           “(b) COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN U.S.-BUILD RE-  
7           QUIREMENTS.—A vessel timely contracted for or delivered  
8           pursuant to this section and documented under the laws  
9           of the United States shall be deemed to have been United-  
10          States built for purposes of sections 901(b) and 901b of  
11          this Act if—

12           “(1) following delivery by a foreign shipyard,  
13           the vessel has any additional shipyard work nec-  
14           essary to receive a Coast Guard certificate of inspec-  
15           tion performed in a United States shipyard;

16           “(2) the vessel is not documented in another  
17           country before being documented under the laws of  
18           the United States;

19           “(3) the vessel complies with the same inspec-  
20           tion standards set forth for ocean common carriers  
21           in section 1137 of the Coast Guard Authorization  
22           Act of 1996 (46 U.S.C. App. 1187 note); and

23           “(4) actual delivery of a vessel contracted for  
24           construction takes place on or before the 3-year an-

1       niversary of the date of the contract to construct the  
2       vessel.

3       “(c) SECTION 12106(e) OF TITLE 46.—Section  
4       12106(e) of title 46, United States Code, shall not apply  
5       to a vessel built pursuant to this section.”.

6       (b) CONFORMING CALENDAR YEAR TO FEDERAL  
7       FISCAL YEAR FOR SECTION 901b PURPOSES.—Section  
8       901b(c)(2) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936 (46 U.S.C  
9       App. 1241f(c)(2)) is amended by striking “1986.” and in-  
10       serting “1986, the 18-month period commencing April 1,  
11       2000, and the 12-month period beginning on the first day  
12       of October in the year 2001 and each year thereafter.”.

13       **SEC. 4. SCRAPPING OF CERTAIN VESSELS.**

14       (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 510(i) of the Merchant  
15       Marine Act, 1936 (46 U.S.C. App. 1160(i)) is amended—

16               (1) by inserting “(1)” before “The Secretary”;  
17       and

18               (2) by adding at the end thereof the following:

19       “(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the  
20       following vessels of the National Defense Reserve Fleet  
21       may be scrapped in foreign countries under terms and con-  
22       ditions prescribed by the Secretary:

23               “(1) EXPORT CHALLENGER.

24               “(2) EXPORT COMMERCE.

25               “(3) BUILDER.

- 1           “(4) ALBERT E. WATTS.
- 2           “(5) WAYNE VICTORY.
- 3           “(6) MORMACDAWN.
- 4           “(7) MORMACMOON.
- 5           “(8) SANTA ELENA.
- 6           “(9) SANTA ISABEL.
- 7           “(10) SANTA CRUZ.
- 8           “(11) PROTECTOR.
- 9           “(12) LAUDERDALE.
- 10          “(13) PVT. FRED C. MURPHY.
- 11          “(14) BEAUJOLAIS.
- 12          “(15) MEACHAM.
- 13          “(16) NEACO.
- 14          “(17) WABASH.
- 15          “(18) NEMASKET.
- 16          “(19) MIRFAK.
- 17          “(20) GEN. ALEX M. PATCH.
- 18          “(21) ARTHUR M. HUDDPELL.
- 19          “(22) WASHINGTON.
- 20          “(23) SUFFOLK COUNTY.
- 21          “(24) CRANDALL.
- 22          “(25) CRILLEY.
- 23          “(26) RIGEL.
- 24          “(27) VEGA.
- 25          “(28) COMPASS ISLAND.

1           “(29) DONNER.

2           “(30) PRESERVER.

3           “(31) MARINE FIDDLER.

4           “(32) WOOD COUNTY.

5           “(33) CATAWBA VICTORY.

6           “(34) GEN. NELSON M. WALKER.

7           “(35) LORAIN COUNTY.

8           “(36) LYNCH.

9           “(37) MISSION SANTA YNEZ.

10          “(38) CALOOSAHATCHEE.

11          “(39) CANISTEO.

12          “(3) If the Secretary determines that additional ves-  
13 sels in the National Defense Reserve Fleet will become  
14 hazards to navigation or the environment, those vessels  
15 may be scrapped in a manner consistent with this sub-  
16 section.”

17          (b) REPORT.—No later than 1 year after the date  
18 of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Mari-  
19 time Administration shall submit to the Congress a report  
20 on the implementation of the Administration’s program to  
21 rid the National Defense Reserve Fleet of obsolete vessels,  
22 including—

23               (1) the number of vessels scrapped to date;

24               (2) the proceeds realized from the sale of ves-  
25 sels to be scrapped; and

1           (3) the number of vessels remaining to be  
2       scrapped.

3       (c) EXTENSION OF DISPOSAL DEADLINE.—Section  
4 6(c)(1)(A) of the National Marine Heritage Act of 1994  
5 (16 U.S.C. 5405(c)(1)(A)) is amended by striking  
6 “2001;” and inserting “2004;”.

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