

104<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# S. 528

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## AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation and coastwise trade endorsement for three vessels.

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

1 **SECTION 1. COASTWISE TRADE AUTHORIZATION FOR**  
2 **HOVERCRAFT.**

3 Notwithstanding section 27 of the Merchant Marine  
4 Act, 1920 (46 U.S.C. App. 883), the Act of June 19, 1886  
5 (46 U.S.C. App. 289), and sections 12106 and 12107 of  
6 title 46, United States Code, the Secretary of Transpor-  
7 tation may issue a certificate of documentation with a  
8 coastwise endorsement for each of the vessels IDUN VI-  
9 KING (Danish Registration number A433), LIV VIKING  
10 (Danish Registration number A394), and FREJA VI-  
11 KING (Danish Registration number A395) if—

12 (1) all repair and alteration work on the vessels  
13 necessary to their operation under this section is  
14 performed in the United States;

15 (2) a binding contract for the construction in  
16 the United States of at least 3 similar vessels for the  
17 coastwise trade is executed by the owner of the ves-  
18 sels within 6 months after the date of enactment of  
19 this Act; and

20 (3) the vessels constructed under the contract  
21 entered into under paragraph (1) are to be delivered

1       within 3 years after the date of entering into that  
2       contract.

Passed the Senate July 29, 1996.

Attest:

*Secretary.*

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