

108TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 4397

To temporarily exempt scrapping of naval vessels and Maritime Administration vessels from certain environmental statutes governing handling of hazardous materials.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 19, 2004

Mr. ENGLISH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

To temporarily exempt scrapping of naval vessels and Maritime Administration vessels from certain environmental statutes governing handling of hazardous materials.

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. EXEMPTION OF SCRAPPING OF NAVAL VESSELS**  
2 **AND MARITIME ADMINISTRATION VESSELS**  
3 **FROM ENVIRONMENTAL STATUTES GOV-**  
4 **ERNING HANDLING OF HAZARDOUS MATE-**  
5 **RIALS.**

6 During the 6-year period beginning on the date of  
7 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense may  
8 carry out scrapping of naval vessels and the Secretary of  
9 Transportation may carry out scrapping of Maritime Ad-  
10 ministration vessels, without regard to the following Acts:

11 (1) The Toxic Substances Control Act (15  
12 U.S.C. 2601 et seq.).

13 (2) The Resource Conservation and Recovery  
14 Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.).

15 (3) The Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.).

16 (4) The Federal Water Pollution Control Act  
17 (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.).

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