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S. 5090

To require the Administrator of the Maritime Administration to publicly report cargo preference data on an annual basis.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. FISCHER (for herself and Mr. PETERS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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 “Cargo Preference Re-
5 porting Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter I of chapter 553 of
8 title 46, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
9 end the following:

1 **“§ 55306. Annual report on cargo preference data**

2 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

3 “(1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term ‘Adminis-
4 trator’ means the Administrator of the Maritime Ad-
5 ministration.

6 “(2) CARGO PREFERENCE DATA.—The term
7 ‘cargo preference data’ means data made available
8 to the Maritime Administration regarding compli-
9 ance with sections 55302, 55303, 55304, and 55305
10 of this subchapter and section 2631 of title 10,
11 United States Code.

12 “(b) IN GENERAL.—By March 1 of each fiscal year,
13 the Administrator shall prepare, submit to Congress, and
14 make public a report regarding the cargo preference data
15 received by the Administrator for the preceding fiscal year.

16 “(c) CONTENTS.—Each report submitted under sub-
17 section (b) shall include, for each Federal department or
18 agency—

19 “(1) the total cargo volume and amount
20 shipped by the department or agency on vessels of
21 the United States for the period of the report; and

22 “(2) the total cargo volume and amount
23 shipped by the department or agency on foreign ves-
24 sels for such period.

1 “(d) RULEMAKING.—The Administrator shall pro-
2 mulgate rules to implement this section, which shall clarify
3 how the report will be made accessible to the public.”.

4 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
5 tions for chapter 553 of title 46, United States Code, is
6 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
7 55305 the following:

 “Sec. 55306. Annual report on cargo preference data.”.

