

Help Save Sharks and Florida Fishermen!

The U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate are currently considering bills that seem to focus on shark conservation, but which do nothing to truly protect Sharks or fishermen.

These bills would essentially require shark fishermen to cut off parts fo the shark and throw them in the trash.

The Sustainable Shark Fisheries and Trade Act (SSFTA), introduced by Senator Rubio in the Senate as S. 1008 and Representative Daniel Webster in the House as HR. 787, is the correct way to create true shark conservation, while not destroying the livelihood of hard-working fishermen along our coasts.

Shark Finning has been illegal in Florida since 1993 and in the US since 2000. The shark fisheries and shark fishermen in Florida and the US have set the global gold standard in sustainable and ethical shark fishing. These fisheries operate under science-based, sustainable management plans. American shark fishermen do not discriminately kill or fin sharks. The SSFTA allows US fishermen to continue to be role models for shark fisheries across the globe, while requiring all countries moving shark products through the US to focus on conservation, and adhere to the ethical, sustainable, and traceable standards the fishermen already operate under in the US.

Please contact Senator Rick Scott's offices, and tell him to support S. 1008. Tell him to stand with the local Florida shark fishermen and support REAL shark conservation.

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