

U.S. Coast Guard Sponsor Office CG-OES Alcohol at Sea

Sexual Assault Sexual Harassment (SASH)
Sponsor Perspective on the Statement of Task

2023 National Defense Authorization Act

- TITLE CXVI—SEXUAL ASSAULT AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION
- AND RESPONSE
- Sec. 11601. Definitions.
- Sec. 11602. Convicted sex offender as grounds for denial.
- Sec. 11603. Sexual harassment or sexual assault as grounds for suspension or revocation.
- Sec. 11604. Accommodation; notices.
- Sec. 11605. Protection against discrimination.
- Sec. 11606. Alcohol at sea.
- Sec. 11607. Surveillance requirements.
- Sec. 11608. Master key control.
- Sec. 11609. Requirement to report sexual assault and harassment.
- Sec. 11610. Safety management system.
- Sec. 11611. Reports to Congress.

SEC. 11606. ALCOHOL AT SEA.

In General:

The Commandant shall seek to enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences

National Academy of Sciences shall prepare an assessment

to determine safe levels of alcohol consumption and possession by crew members

aboard vessels of the United States engaged in commercial service....

The ASSESSMENT Shall:

- (1) take into account the safety and security of every individual on the vessel;
- (2) take into account reported incidences of sexual harassment or sexual assault, as defined in section 2101 of title 46, United States Code; and
- (3) provide any appropriate recommendations for any changes to laws, regulations, or employer policies.

Statement of Task

As part of the assessment, the committee will consider:

- Operational and workplace factors that may contribute to the misuse of alcohol by crewmembers and other onboard personnel in different segments (types of service/vessels) of the maritime industry.
- The contributing role of alcohol and other intoxicants to abusive and dangerous behaviors in the maritime workplace.
- Effectiveness of federal regulations and vessel operator policies to detect and deter misuse of alcohol by crew members and other personnel, both on-duty and off duty.
- The state of the science on best practices for regulating workplace alcohol use, intoxication, and the prevention of sexual assault and sexual harassment and other dangerous and abusive behaviors. This includes practices for education, training, reporting, and accountability, as well as the development and implementation of a culture of safety.
- The extent to which federal regulations and vessel operator policies, as implemented, conform to identified best practices.

Discussion? Questions?

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