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### **What is the Jones Act?**

Jones Act (Merchant Marine Act of 1920) – statute sponsored by U.S. Senator Wesley Jones (Washington) that restricts the carriage of goods or passengers between U.S. ports (including Hawaii, Alaska, and U.S. territories) to U.S. built and flagged ships. In addition, at least 75 percent of crewmembers must be U.S. citizens.