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## Update: Illinois Shark Fin Ban Clears General Assembly

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The effort to ban trade in shark fins is going swimmingly in Illinois!

[Nick Magrisso](#) just reported from the Statehouse that the [Senate has voted](#) overwhelmingly to approve a measure that would ban the sale, trade, distribution or possession of shark fins in the Prairie State. Now it moves to the Governor's desk thanks to the hard work of sponsors State Representative Sara Feigenholtz and Senator Antonio Munoz who led the strongly bipartisan effort to pass out of the second Chamber.

Expect landlocked Illinois to announce that we are [doing our part to protect the health of the oceans](#) pretty soon---but what about all you folks out on the coasts? Time to catch up, we are doing laps around you.