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## **Maritime Matters in Washington**

By Mr. Paul Bea



Tanker Orpheas (900 feet long with a 55 foot draft) with a load of No. 6 fuel oil from Africa making way in Long Island Sound to Riverhead platforms. Photo by Captain Charles P. Jonas

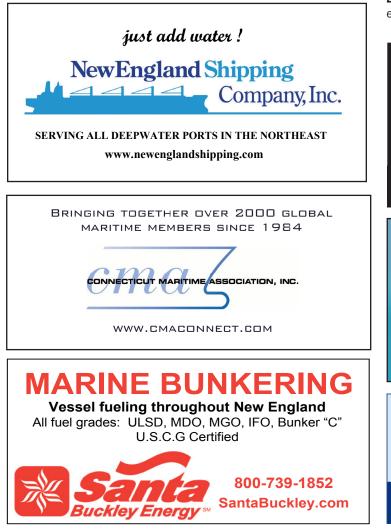
WHAT HAS THE ATTENTION OF THE MARITIME SECTOR IN D.C.? we await the House bill that may be unveiled in July. What it will have Depends on who you are. Here's my abbreviated take on the question. in channel projects will be less important to most ports than will policy If you are a port there's the continuing watch-for-WRDA. The Senate changes having to do with the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund. If you are passed its version of a Corps of Engineers policy and projects bill; now in the U.S.-flag sector the overwhelming question is whether Congress



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will let the Administration follow through on its plan to cut the Food for Peace program—U.S.-flag vessels carrying U.S. farm goods to needy nations. The budgeted \$25 million consolation intended, vaguely, to assist crews stranded ashore by the plan isn't mollifying an increasingly frustrated industry and workforce. Judging by the FY14 appropriations bills Congress isn't going along with the president's proposed reforms. If you are a shipper who "pays the freight" you might want to keep a watchful eye on what Senator Patty Murray and other Washington State legislators come up with as a replacement to the Harbor Maintenance Tax. A new bill will be revealed this summer to take away an advantage Canadian and Mexican gateways have over U.S. ports where the HMT is charged on imports and cruise passengers. Such a proposal would face a steep climb on The Hill.

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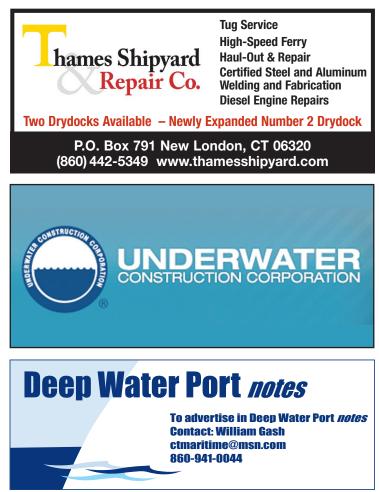
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VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2011 Creates New Benefit for Unemployed Veterans.

This legislation offers a tax credit up to \$5,600 for companies that hire veterans who have been unemployed six months or longer. Hiring a veteran with a service-connected disability bumps the credit up to \$9,600.

*Link:* http://courtney.house.gov/index php?option=com\_content&vi ew=article&id=6533&Itemi



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