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HR 26

Baseball Diplomacy Act

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Chamber: House

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 13, 2001
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 13, 2001
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 12, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 3, 2001)

Baseball Diplomacy Act - Waives certain foreign assistance and trade and travel prohibitions against Cuba under specified Federal law with regard to certain transactions, including: (1) Cuban nationals who enter the United States on visas to play organized professional baseball; and (2) the return of their baseball earnings to Cuba. Prohibits the President from denying visas to such nationals based upon authority under the Immigration and Nationality Act to restrict any entry of aliens or class of aliens that would be detrimental to the interests of the United States. Declares that this Act shall not be affected by the economic embargo requirements against Cuba under the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity (LIBERTAD) Act of 1996.

Actions Timeline

- Mar 13, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights.
- Mar 13, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere.
- Feb 12, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims.
- Jan 3, 2001: Introduced in House
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