

HR 1698

To lift the trade embargo on Cuba, and for other purposes.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: International Affairs

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims. (May 5, 2003)

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Abercrombie, Neil [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Apr 9, 2003
Rep. Clay, Wm. Lacy [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Apr 9, 2003
Rep. Whitfield, Ed [R-KY-1]	R · KY		Apr 9, 2003
Rep. Flake, Jeff [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Apr 10, 2003
Rep. Ramstad, Jim [R-MN-3]	R · MN		May 13, 2003
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		May 13, 2003
Rep. Frank, Barney [D-MA-4]	D · MA		May 14, 2003
Rep. Turner, Jim [D-TX-2]	D · TX		Sep 4, 2003
Rep. Kilpatrick, Carolyn C. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Sep 9, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 9, 2003
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 24, 2003
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 29, 2003
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 9, 2003
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	May 5, 2003
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 9, 2003
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 22, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 9, 2003)

Amends the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and other specified Federal law to repeal the embargo placed upon all trade with Cuba.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to declare the denial of foreign tax credit inapplicable to Cuba.

Permits: (1) installation and maintenance of telecommunications equipment and facilities in Cuba, including telecommunications services between the United States and Cuba; and (2) travel to and from Cuba by U.S. citizens or residents.

Requires the U.S. Postal Service to provide direct mail service to and from Cuba.

Prohibits U.S. assistance to Cuba, including assistance by the Export-Import Bank, the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, and the Commodity Credit Corporation, and any exchange, reduction, or forgiveness of Cuban debt.

Actions Timeline

- **May 5, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims.
- **Apr 29, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology.
- **Apr 24, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.
- **Apr 22, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.
- **Apr 9, 2003:** Introduced in House
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