

HRES 277

Expressing support for freedom in Hong Kong.

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Rep. Rohrabacher, Dana [R-CA-46]	R · CA		Jun 17, 2003
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Jun 17, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Jun 17, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 SJRES 33	Related bill	Jun 23, 2004: Held at the desk.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Condemns any restriction of the freedom of thought, expression, or association in Hong Kong, consistent with the United States-Hong Kong Policy Act of 1992.

Recognizes that because Hong Kong exercises considerable influence in international affairs, as a developed economy, financial center, trading entrepot and shipping center, reductions in the existing freedom of the Hong Kong people would be of global significance.

Urges the Hong Kong Government and the People's Republic of China to withdraw the proposed implementation of Article 23 of the Basic Law insofar as it would reduce the basic human freedoms of the people of Hong Kong.

Calls upon the People's Republic of China, the National People's Congress, and any other groups appointed by the Government of China to leave all revisions of Hong Kong law to a legislature elected by universal suffrage.

Urges immediate elections for the Legislative Council of Hong Kong according to rules approved by the Hong Kong people through an election-law convention, referendum, or both.

Calls upon the Government of China to fully respect the autonomy and independence of the chief executive, the civil service, the judiciary, the police of Hong Kong, and the Independent Commission Against Corruption.

Calls upon the U.S. Government, other governments, the people of the United States, and the people of the world to support freedom in Hong Kong by: (1) making clear statements against any limitations on existing human freedoms in Hong Kong; and (2) transmitting those statements to the people and the Government of the People's Republic of China.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 26, 2003:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5990-5991)
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 426 - 1 (Roll no. 326).(text: CR 6/25/2003 H5837-5838)
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- **Jun 26, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 25, 2003:** Mr. Smith (NJ) moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution.
- **Jun 25, 2003:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5837-5841)
- **Jun 25, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Res. 277.
- **Jun 25, 2003:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Jun 17, 2003:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 17, 2003:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Jun 16, 2003:** Introduced in House
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- **Jun 16, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on International Relations.