

## HRES 576

Urging the Government of the People's Republic of China to improve its protection of intellectual property rights, and for other purposes.

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

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**Latest Action:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection. (Jul 14, 2004)

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 24, 2004

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

International Affairs

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Commends the Government of the People's Republic of China (China) for its steps to improve its legal framework for intellectual property (IP) rights protection and efforts toward compliance with international standards for IP rights.

Recognizes the Chinese Government's renewed commitment to significantly reduce IP infringement levels.

Recognizes, despite such steps, the continued existence of widespread IP rights violations in China.

Urges the Chinese Government to undertake a coordinated nationwide IP rights enforcement campaign and related actions.

Recommends that China implement a legal framework and effective enforcement mechanisms that would protect the IP rights not only of the United States and other foreign business enterprises, but also of Chinese IP rights holders.

Urges the Chinese Government to give greater market access to the foreign producers of legitimate products such as film and other audiovisual products in order to reduce demand for and prevalence of pirated and counterfeit goods.

Calls for continued close monitoring of China's action plan on IP protection presented during the 2004 United States-China Joint Commission on Commerce and Trade, and to work with the Administration to further encourage China's efforts to bring its framework of laws, regulations, and implementing rules into compliance with international law and to create and maintain IP rights enforcement mechanisms capable of deterring counterfeiting and piracy activities.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 14, 2004:** Mr. Ballenger moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended.
- **Jul 14, 2004:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5682-5687)
- **Jul 14, 2004:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Res. 576.
- **Jul 14, 2004:** 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.
- **Jul 14, 2004:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5689-5690)
- **Jul 14, 2004:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 416 - 3 (Roll no. 374).(text: CR H5682-5683)
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- **Jul 14, 2004:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 31, 2004:** Committee Agreed to Seek Consideration Under Suspension of the Rules, by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 24, 2004:** Introduced in House
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- **Mar 24, 2004:** Referred to the House Committee on International Relations.