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Compacts of Free Association Amendments Act of 2005

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Policy Area: International Affairs

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Domenici, Pete V. [R-NM]

Party: Republican • State: NM • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Oct 6, 2005
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	D · NM		Oct 6, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Reported By	Apr 20, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Compacts of Free Association Amendments Act of 2005 - Amends the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003 with respect to the provision of emergency and disaster assistance through the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

Provides with respect to the Republic of Palau that: (1) students from Micronesia and the Marshall Islands attending universities or colleges in Palau shall remain eligible for specified higher education assistance; and (2) government, institutions, and people of Palau shall be eligible for education assistance through FY2009 that they were eligible for in FY2003.

Provides for the continuation of legal services to the citizens of Micronesia, Palau, and the Marshall Islands legally residing in the United States (including territories and possessions).

Authorizes Micronesia, Palau, and the Marshall Islands to transmit videotaped programming.

Authorizes the government of Palau to deposit the payment otherwise payable to the U.S. government under P.L. 101-219 (a law concerning the implementation of the Palau Compact of Free Association and insular area matters) into a trust fund if: (1) trust fund earnings are expended solely for maintenance of the road system constructed pursuant to the Compact of Free Association between the U.S. government and the government of Palau; and (2) the trust fund is established and operated pursuant to an agreement between the U.S. government and the government of Palau.

Provides that in the U.S.-RMI Compact (Marshall Islands), the U.S.-FSM Compact (Micronesia), and their respective trust fund subsidiary agreements, for the purposes of taxation by the United States or its subsidiary jurisdictions, the term "state" means state, territory, or the District of Columbia.

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## **Actions Timeline**

- **Sep 29, 2006:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S10532-10534; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR S10532-10533)
- **Sep 29, 2006:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with amendments by Unanimous Consent.(text as passed Senate: CR S10534)
- **Sep 29, 2006:** Passed Senate with amendments by Unanimous Consent. (text as passed Senate: CR S10534)
- **Sep 29, 2006:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 29, 2006:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 29, 2006:** Held at the desk.
- **Apr 20, 2006:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Domenici under authority of the order of the Senate of 04/07/2006 with amendments. With written report No. 109-237.
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- **Apr 20, 2006:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 399.
- **Mar 15, 2006:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with amendments favorably.
- **Oct 25, 2005:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 109-291.
- **Oct 6, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 6, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR 10/07/2005 S11222)
- **Oct 6, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (text of measure introduced: CR 10/7/2005 S11222-11223)