
HCONRES 229

Supporting the goal of the United States establishing a responsible energy policy toward the Gulf of Guinea region in Western Africa that encourages local content development and greater governmental transparency.

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 28, 2005
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 28, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Expresses support for: (1) the U.S. goal to establish a responsible energy policy toward the Gulf of Guinea region in Western Africa that encourages local content development and greater governmental transparency; and (2) United States Agency for International Development (USAID) funding to support nongovernmental organizations working to overcome corruption in Africa.

Urges the Bush Administration to: (1) provide debt-relief and trade benefits to countries that adhere to the principles of transparency, human rights, and democracy; and (2) work with local organizations in Africa that monitor oil wealth management.

Urges the United Nations to: (1) support multilateral transparency and make the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act enforceable international law; and (2) use the U.N. development program to promote transparency, poverty reduction, and democratic participation in civil society.

Urges oil companies operating in Africa to: (1) pursue local content development projects and participate in joint ventures with indigenous companies; (2) disclose taxes, fees, and other payments made to African governments; and (3) participate with the U.S. African-American business community in economic development opportunities in the Gulf of Guinea region.

Urges the President to encourage leaders of African countries to: (1) implement local content development programs; (2) invest a portion of the current oil revenue of each such country to prepare for a post-oil future; (3) guarantee human rights, transparency, and full civil participation in the democratic process; and (4) provide for fair employment of women within the energy sector.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 29, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1711)
- **Jul 28, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 28, 2005:** Referred to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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