

HR 309

Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act of 2005

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Sponsor

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Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Jan 25, 2005
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Jan 25, 2005
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Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Jan 25, 2005
Rep. Rahall, Nick J., II [D-WV-3]	D · WV		Feb 1, 2005
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Jul 20, 2005
Rep. Honda, Michael M. [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Jul 28, 2005
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-16]	D · CA		May 9, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 25, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 147	Identical bill	Jun 8, 2006: Cloture not invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 56 - 41. Record Vote Number: 165. (consideration: CR S5640)
109 S 3064	Related bill	May 26, 2006: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 459.

Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act of 2005 - Establishes the U.S. Office for Native Hawaiian Relations within the Office of the Secretary of the Interior.

Establishes the Native Hawaiian Interagency Coordinating Group.

Recognizes the right of the Native Hawaiian people to reorganize the Native Hawaiian governing entity to provide for their common welfare and to adopt appropriate organic governing documents.

Establishes a Commission to: (1) prepare and maintain a roll of the adult members of the Native Hawaiian community who elect to participate in such reorganization; and (2) certify that the adult members of the Native Hawaiian community proposed for inclusion on the roll meet the definition of Native Hawaiian.

Outlines the process for the reorganization, which includes forming a Native Hawaiian Governing Council.

Reaffirms the political and legal relationship between the United States and the Native Hawaiian governing entity upon certification required by the Secretary regarding the organic governing documents and the election of the entity's officers. Extends Federal recognition to the governing entity as the representative governing body of the Native Hawaiian people.

Authorizes the United States, upon the reaffirmation of such political and legal relationship, to enter into negotiations with the governing entity to lead to an agreement addressing specified matters, including the transfer of lands, natural resources, and other assets, and the protection of existing rights related to such lands or resources.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 25, 2005:** Introduced in House
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- **Jan 25, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E72-73)
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