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Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 9, 2007
Natural Resources Committee	House	Reported By	May 7, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on May 7, 2007. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act - (Sec. 2) Recognizes the great suffering and steadfast loyalty and courage of the people of Guam during the Japanese occupation of Guam in World War II.

(Sec. 3) Directs the Secretary of the Treasury to make the following payments for Guam World War II claims: (1) spouses, children or parents of compensable Guam decedents would be eligible for \$25,000; (2) compensable Guam victims who were raped or suffered severe personal injury would be eligible for \$15,000, those who were subjected to forced labor or suffered personal injury would be eligible for \$12,000, and those who were subjected to forced march, internment, or hiding to evade internment would be eligible for \$10,000; and (3) eligible heirs of compensable decedents or compensable victims would be eligible for \$7,000.

Requires payments to be made to living compensable Guam victims before survivor payments are made.

Defines "compensable Guam decedent" and "compensable Guam victim."

(Sec. 4) Authorizes the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission to adjudicate claims and determine payment eligibility.

Requires: (1) claims to be filed within one year after the Commission publishes public notice of the filing period in the Federal Register; and (2) the Commission to make filing period information available to the public through the media in Guam.

(Sec. 5) Directs the Secretary of the Interior to establish a grant program for research, educational, and media activities that memorialize the events surrounding the occupation of Guam during World War II, honor the loyalty of the people of Guam during such occupation, or both.

(Sec. 6) Authorizes appropriations which shall remain available for obligation until September 30, 2012, for: (1) claims payments and adjudication; and (2) the World War II grants program.

Actions Timeline

- **May 9, 2007:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- **May 8, 2007:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4608-4609)
- **May 8, 2007:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 288 - 133 (Roll no. 309).(text: CR 5/7/2007 H4495-4496)
- **May 8, 2007:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 288 - 133 (Roll no. 309). (text: CR 5/7/2007 H4495-4496)
- **May 8, 2007:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 7, 2007:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 110-129.
- **May 7, 2007:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 78.
- **May 7, 2007:** Ms. Bordallo moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **May 7, 2007:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4495-4499)
- **May 7, 2007:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1595.
- **May 7, 2007:** 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.
- **May 2, 2007:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 2, 2007:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 20, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 20, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

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