

## HCONRES 214

Expressing the sense of Congress that the President should grant a posthumous pardon to John Arthur "Jack" Johnson for the 1913 racially motivated conviction of Johnson, which diminished his athletic, cultural, and historic significance, and tarnished his reputation.

**Congress:** 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Law

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Oct 2, 2008)

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 18, 2007
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 2, 2008

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Law

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Sep 26, 2008)

**(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)**

Calls for the President to grant a pardon, posthumously, to Jack Johnson (the first African-American professional boxer to hold the title of Heavyweight Champion of the World) to expunge from the annals of American criminal justice a racially motivated abuse of the federal government's prosecutorial authority and to recognize his athletic and cultural contributions to society.

## Actions Timeline

- **Oct 2, 2008:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Sep 26, 2008:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H10059)
- **Sep 26, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR 9/25/2008 H9886)
- **Sep 26, 2008:** On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR 9/25/2008 H9886)
- **Sep 26, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 26, 2008:** Received in the Senate.
- **Sep 25, 2008:** Ms. Lofgren, Zoe moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution.
- **Sep 25, 2008:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H9886-9887)
- **Sep 25, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Con. Res. 214.
- **Sep 25, 2008:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Cannon objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was withdrawn.
- **Sep 18, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 18, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.