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Compacts of Free Association Amendments Act of 2007

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]

Party: Democratic • State: NM • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Domenici, Pete V. [R-NM]	R · NM		Jan 12, 2007
Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Sep 17, 2007

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Reported By	Feb 15, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 2705	Related bill	Nov 14, 2007: Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 489.

**(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)**

Compacts of Free Association Amendments Act of 2007 - 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.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 11, 2008:** Indefinitely postponed by Senate by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S5530)
- **Feb 15, 2007:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Bingaman without amendment. With written report No. 110-17.
- **Feb 15, 2007:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 42.
- **Jan 31, 2007:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jan 12, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 12, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S510)
- **Jan 12, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (text of measure as introduced: CR S510-511)