

HR 900

Puerto Rico Democracy Act of 2007

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Rep. Rahall, Nick J., II [D-WV-3]	D · WV		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Renzi, Rick [R-AZ-1]	R · AZ		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Rodriguez, Ciro D. [D-TX-23]	D · TX		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Feb 7, 2007
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Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Tauscher, Ellen O. [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Taylor, Gene [D-MS-4]	D · MS		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		Feb 7, 2007
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Rep. Waxman, Henry A. [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Weller, Jerry [R-IL-11]	R · IL		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Wexler, Robert [D-FL-19]	D · FL		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Wu, David [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Wynn, Albert Russell [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Feb 7, 2007
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Feb 7, 2007
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Rep. Arcuri, Michael A. [D-NY-24]	D · NY		Feb 16, 2007

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Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-9]	R · FL		Feb 16, 2007
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Rep. Cramer, Robert E. (Bud), Jr. [D-AL-5]	D · AL		Feb 16, 2007
Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-27]	D · NY		Feb 16, 2007
Rep. Marchant, Kenny [R-TX-24]	R · TX		Feb 16, 2007
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Feb 16, 2007
Rep. Pence, Mike [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Feb 16, 2007
Rep. Peterson, John E. [R-PA-5]	R · PA		Feb 16, 2007
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Rep. Cannon, Chris [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Mar 30, 2007
Rep. Fossella, Vito [R-NY-13]	R · NY		Mar 30, 2007
Rep. Stark, Fortney Pete [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Mar 30, 2007
Rep. Ruppersberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		May 16, 2007
Rep. Shays, Christopher [R-CT-4]	R · CT		May 16, 2007
Rep. Berkley, Shelley [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Jun 7, 2007
Rep. Radanovich, George [R-CA-19]	R · CA		Jun 7, 2007
Rep. Bishop, Rob [R-UT-1]	R · UT		Jun 13, 2007
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Jun 13, 2007
Rep. Davis, Artur [D-AL-7]	D · AL		Jun 13, 2007
Rep. Sali, Bill [R-ID-1]	R · ID		Jun 14, 2007
Rep. McCarthy, Kevin [R-CA-22]	R · CA		Jun 20, 2007
Rep. Udall, Mark [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Jun 20, 2007
Rep. Moore, Dennis [D-KS-3]	D · KS		Jun 21, 2007
Rep. Fallin, Mary [R-OK-5]	R · OK		Jul 11, 2007
Rep. Shuler, Heath [D-NC-11]	D · NC		Jul 11, 2007
Rep. Davis, David [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Jul 19, 2007
Rep. Farr, Sam [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Jul 24, 2007
Rep. Berman, Howard L. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Jul 26, 2007
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		Jul 26, 2007
Rep. Capuano, Michael E. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Jul 26, 2007
Rep. Dicks, Norman D. [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Jul 26, 2007
Rep. Holden, Tim [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Jul 26, 2007
Rep. Israel, Steve [D-NY-2]	D · NY		Jul 26, 2007
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Jul 26, 2007
Rep. Lantos, Tom [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Jul 26, 2007
Rep. Allen, Thomas H. [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Jul 31, 2007
Rep. Lowey, Nita M. [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Aug 1, 2007
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Sep 4, 2007
Rep. Perlmutter, Ed [D-CO-7]	D · CO		Sep 7, 2007
Rep. Watson, Diane E. [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Sep 7, 2007
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Sep 14, 2007

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Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31]	R · TX		Sep 19, 2007
Rep. Roskam, Peter J. [R-IL-6]	R · IL		Sep 19, 2007
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-25]	D · TX		Sep 20, 2007
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Sep 20, 2007

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Oct 23, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 1936	Related bill	Aug 2, 2007: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Summary (as of Apr 22, 2008)

Puerto Rico Democracy Act of 2007 - Directs the Puerto Rico State Elections Commission to conduct a plebiscite in Puerto Rico no later than December 31, 2009, giving voters the option to vote to continue Puerto Rico's present territorial status and relationship with the United States or to pursue a constitutionally-viable permanent non-territorial status.

Recognizes the authority of the people of Puerto Rico, if a majority of the ballots favor pursuing a non-territorial status, to: (1) call a Constitutional Convention for the purpose of proposing to the people of Puerto Rico a self-determination option which, if approved in a referendum, would be presented to Congress; or (2) conduct a plebiscite administered by the Commission to consider a self-determination option, with the results presented to Congress.

Prescribes the eligibility requirements for voting in the plebiscite. Requires the Commission to certify plebiscite results to the President and Congress.

Authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to allocate certain funds for the self-determination process.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 22, 2008:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 110-597.
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 370.
- **Oct 23, 2007:** Subcommittee on Insular Affairs Discharged.
- **Oct 23, 2007:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Oct 23, 2007:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Apr 25, 2007:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Mar 22, 2007:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 13, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs.
- **Feb 7, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 7, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.