

## HR 1790

### Forest Carbon Emission Reduction Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 31, 2009
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 30, 2009

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

International Affairs

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Forest Carbon Emission Reduction Act - Directs the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to: (1) allocate annually a portion of emission allowances to help developing countries achieve emissions reductions or increase sequestration of carbon dioxide from international forest carbon activities; (2) set-aside a portion of such allowances for ensuring market readiness in developing countries; (3) establish eligibility criteria for incentive allowances to implement national strategies to reduce emissions from deforestation, implement low-cost emission reduction in the forest sector, and guard against deforestation; and (4) promulgate regulations (including regulations relating to quality and eligibility requirements) for the use of offset allowances for international forest carbon activities.

Authorizes the Administrator to provide emission allowances for carbon storage projects in other qualifying natural land.

Authorizes qualifying subnational level activities.

Directs the Administrator to prepare a list of countries that have: (1) demonstrated the capacity to participate in international forest carbon activities at a national level; (2) capped greenhouse gas emissions or otherwise established a credible national baseline; (3) achieved national-level reductions of deforestation; and (4) implemented an emission reduction program for the forest sector.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 31, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Referred to House Foreign Affairs
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce