

## HR 2659

To convey certain submerged lands to the Government of the Virgin Islands, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Public Lands and Natural Resources

**Introduced:** Jun 2, 2009

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife. (Jun 5, 2009)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/house-bill/2659>

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 5, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Jun 2, 2009)

Conveys to the U.S. Virgin Islands specified submerged lands in the area between the island of Saint Croix and the islands of Saint Thomas and Saint John.

States that for purposes of U.S. laws, and except as otherwise provided by international law or any international agreement in force for the United States, the territorial waters of the U.S. Virgin Islands shall consist of all waters in the belt of the seas measured from the line of ordinary low water along that portion of the coast which is in direct contact with the open sea and the line marking the seaward limit of inland waters, and extending seaward a distance of nine miles.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 5, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.
- **Jun 2, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 2, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.