

HR 1464

North Korean Child Welfare Act of 2012

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: International Affairs

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Rep. Berkley, Shelley [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Sep 8, 2011
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Sep 8, 2011
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Sep 8, 2011
Rep. Garrett, Scott [R-NJ-5]	R · NJ		Sep 8, 2011
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Rep. Roby, Martha [R-AL-2]	R · AL		Sep 8, 2011
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Rep. Marino, Tom [R-PA-10]	R · PA		Oct 25, 2011
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Jan 31, 2012
Rep. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Feb 7, 2012
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Apr 19, 2012
Del. Bordallo, Madeleine Z. [D-GU-At Large]	D · GU		Jun 7, 2012
Rep. Burton, Dan [R-IN-5]	R · IN		Jun 7, 2012
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Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Jun 27, 2012
Rep. Rohrabacher, Dana [R-CA-46]	R · CA		Jun 27, 2012

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Rep. Schweikert, David [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		Jun 27, 2012
Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		Jun 27, 2012
Rep. Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Jun 28, 2012
Rep. Stark, Fortney Pete [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Jun 28, 2012
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Rep. Brooks, Mo [R-AL-5]	R · AL		Aug 2, 2012
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Sep 10, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 8, 2011
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Dec 29, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 416	Related bill	Feb 28, 2011: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on December 28, 2012. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

North Korean Child Welfare Act of 2012 - Directs the Secretary of State to designate a representative to regularly brief Congress on U.S. efforts to advocate for the best interests of North Korean children and children of one North Korean parent, including efforts to address the adoption of such children living outside North Korea without parental care.

Directs such designee to address the Department of State's: (1) analysis of the challenges facing North Korean children residing outside North Korea and challenges facing children of one North Korean parent in other countries who are fleeing persecution or are living as de jure or de facto stateless persons (such North Korean children); (2) efforts to advocate for the best interest of such North Korean children, including family reunification efforts and the adoption of North Korean children living outside North Korea and children of one North Korean parent living outside North Korea; (3) efforts to address challenges that U.S. citizens would encounter in attempting to adopt such North Korean children, including efforts to overcome the complexities involved in best interest determinations and adoption processing of those who habitually reside in a Hague country or a non-Hague country; (4) diplomatic efforts to encourage countries in which North Korean children or children of one North Korean parent are fleeing persecution or reside as de jure or de facto stateless persons to resolve issues of statelessness of North Koreans residing in that country; and (5) efforts to work with the Republic of Korea to establish pilot programs that assist in the family reunification of North Korean children and children of one North Korean parent living within South Korea and other countries who are fleeing persecution or are living as de jure or de facto stateless persons.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 14, 2013:** Signed by President.
- **Jan 14, 2013:** Became Public Law No: 112-264.
- **Jan 2, 2013:** Presented to President.
- **Jan 1, 2013:** Ms. Ros-Lehtinen asked unanimous consent that the House agree to the Senate amendments. (consideration: CR H7520-7521)
- **Jan 1, 2013:** Resolving differences -- House actions: On motion that the House agree to the Senate amendments Agreed to without objection.(text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H7521)
- **Jan 1, 2013:** On motion that the House agree to the Senate amendments Agreed to without objection. (text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H7521)
- **Jan 1, 2013:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 1, 2013:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 30, 2012:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 28, 2012:** Senate Committee on Foreign Relations discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 28, 2012:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S8516)
- **Dec 28, 2012:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 28, 2012:** Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 12, 2012:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
- **Sep 11, 2012:** Ms. Ros-Lehtinen moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Sep 11, 2012:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5842-5844)
- **Sep 11, 2012:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1464.
- **Sep 11, 2012:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5842-5843)
- **Sep 11, 2012:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5842-5843)
- **Sep 11, 2012:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 8, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 8, 2011:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.