

## HR 1682

FREE Vietnam Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Foreign Trade and International Finance

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade. (Jun 3, 2013)

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### Sponsor

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Rep. Sanchez, Loretta [D-CA-46]	D · CA		Apr 23, 2013
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Apr 23, 2013
Rep. Wolf, Frank R. [R-VA-10]	R · VA		Apr 23, 2013
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Apr 26, 2013

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 3, 2013

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Foreign Trade and International Finance

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Fostering Rights through Economic Engagement in Vietnam Act or FREE Vietnam Act - Amends the Trade Act of 1974 to add Vietnam to the list of countries ineligible for designation as a beneficiary developing country for purposes of duty-free treatment of its products under the generalized system of preferences unless the President certifies to Congress that Vietnam: (1) is not on the special watch list of countries not in compliance with minimum standards for the elimination of human trafficking; (2) does not engage in pervasive violations of internationally-recognized human rights, including freedom of speech and freedom of religion; and (3) otherwise meets the requirements of this Act.

Authorizes the President to waive such requirements if it is in the U.S. national interest.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 3, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.
- **Apr 23, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 23, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.