

SRES 373

A resolution recognizing the historical significance of Executive Order 9066 and expressing the sense of the Senate that policies that discriminate against any individual based on the actual or perceived race, ethnicity, national origin, or religion of that individual would be a repetition of the mistakes of Executive Order 9066 and contrary to the values of the United States.

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** HI • **Chamber:** Senate

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| Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH] | D · NH | | Apr 19, 2016 |
| Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE] | D · DE | | Apr 21, 2016 |
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| Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA] | D · CA | | Apr 25, 2016 |
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| Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI] | D · RI | | Apr 25, 2016 |
| Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA] | D · MA | | Apr 28, 2016 |
| Sen. Heitkamp, Heidi [D-ND] | D · ND | | May 9, 2016 |
| Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ] | D · NJ | | May 9, 2016 |
| Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ] | D · NJ | | May 10, 2016 |
| Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD] | D · MD | | May 25, 2016 |
| Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA] | D · VA | | Jun 15, 2016 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Judiciary Committee | Senate | Referred To | Feb 24, 2016 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 114 HRES 626 | Related bill | Feb 29, 2016: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice. |

Summary (as of Feb 24, 2016)

Recognizes the historical significance of: (1) February 19, 1942, as the date on which President Franklin Delano Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066, which restricted the freedom of Japanese Americans; and (2) February 19, 1976, as the date on which President Gerald Ford issued Presidential Proclamation 4417, which formally terminated such executive order.

Expresses support for the goals of the Japanese American community in recognizing a National Day of Remembrance to increase public awareness about the unjust measures taken to restrict the freedom of Japanese Americans during World War II.

Expresses the sense that: (1) such Day is an opportunity to reflect on the importance of upholding justice and civil liberties for all people of the United States and to oppose hate, xenophobia, and bigotry; and (2) policies that discriminate against any individual based on the actual or perceived race, ethnicity, national origin, or religion of that individual would be a repetition of the mistakes of Executive Order 9066 and contrary to U.S. values.

Recognizes the positive contributions that people of every race, ethnicity, religion, and national origin have made to the United States.

Confirms the dedication of the Senate to the rights and dignity of all people of the United States.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 24, 2016:** Introduced in Senate
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