

## HRES 44

Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to permit Delegates and the Resident Commissioner to the Congress to cast votes in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Congress

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Democratic • **State:** MD • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 22, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Congress

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Amends Rule III (The Members, Delegates, and Resident Commissioner of Puerto Rico) of the Rules of the House of Representatives to permit Delegates and the Resident Commissioner, in a Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, the same powers and privileges as Members of the House.

Amends Rule XVIII (The Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union) also to permit such individuals the right to vote in, and preside over, that Committee.

Requires the Committee of the Whole to rise, however, and the Speaker to put the same question to a vote *de novo* without intervening motion whenever a recorded vote on any question has been decided within the Committee by a margin within which the votes cast by the Delegates and the Resident Commissioner have been decisive. Requires the Committee then to resume its sitting without intervening motion upon the announcement of the vote on that question.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jan 22, 2015:** Introduced in House
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