

HRES 631

Calling upon the United States Senate to give its advice and consent to the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: International Affairs

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Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. (Mar 1, 2016)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (17 total)

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Del. Bordallo, Madeleine Z. [D-GU-At Large]	D · GU		Mar 1, 2016
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Rep. Davis, Susan A. [D-CA-53]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2016
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Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		Mar 1, 2016
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Mar 1, 2016
Rep. Takai, Mark [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Mar 15, 2016
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Apr 21, 2016
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		Apr 29, 2016
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		May 13, 2016
Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Jul 5, 2016
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Jul 13, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 1, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 1, 2016)

Affirms that it is in the U.S. national interest to become a formal signatory to the United Nations Convention of the Law of the Sea.

Urges the Senate to give its advice and consent to the convention's ratification.

Recommends the ratification remain a top Administration priority, having received bipartisan support from every President since 1994, and having most recently been underscored by the strategic challenges the United States faces in the Asia-Pacific region and more specifically in the South China Sea.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 1, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 1, 2016:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H1047-1048)
- **Mar 1, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.