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# **HRES 639**

Authorizing the Speaker to appear as amicus curiae on behalf of the House of Representatives in the matter of United States, et al. v. Texas, et al., No. 15-674.

Congress: 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

Chamber: House Policy Area: Congress Introduced: Mar 14, 2016

Current Status: NOTIFICATION OF FILING - Pursuant to H.Res. 639, the Chair announced that an amicus brief was filed Latest Action: NOTIFICATION OF FILING - Pursuant to H.Res. 639, the Chair announced that an amicus brief was filed

on April 4, 2016 in the United States Supreme Court in the matter of United States v. Texas. (Apr 18, 2016)

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## **Sponsor**

Name: Rep. Ryan, Paul D. [R-WI-1]

Party: Republican • State: WI • Chamber: House

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules Committee	House	Reported By	Mar 16, 2016

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

### **Policy Area:**

Congress

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HRES 649	Procedurally related	Mar 17, 2016: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Authorizes the Speaker to appear as *amicus curiae* on behalf of the House of Representatives in the Supreme Court in the matter of *United States*, *et al.* v. *Texas*, *et al.*, No. 15-674, and to file a brief in support of the position that the petitioners have acted in a manner that is not consistent with their duties under the Constitution and laws of the United States.

Requires the House Office of General Counsel, at the Speaker's direction, to represent the House in connection with the filing of any *amicus curiae* brief pursuant to this resolution, including supervision of any outside counsel providing services to the Speaker on a pro bono basis for such purpose.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Apr 18, 2016: NOTIFICATION OF FILING Pursuant to H.Res. 639, the Chair announced that an amicus brief was filed on April 4, 2016 in the United States Supreme Court in the matter of United States v. Texas.
- Mar 17, 2016: Rule H. Res. 649 passed House.
- Mar 17, 2016: Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 649. (consideration: CR H1434-1446)
- Mar 17, 2016: Rule provides for consideration of H. Res. 639 with 1 hour of general debate. Motion to recommit allowed. Measure will be considered read. Bill is closed to amendments.
- Mar 17, 2016: DEBATE The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H. Res. 639.
- Mar 17, 2016: The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule. (consideration: CR H1445)
- Mar 17, 2016: Passed/agreed to in House: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 234 186 (Roll no. 129).(text: CR H1434-1435)
- Mar 17, 2016: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 234 186 (Roll no. 129). (text: CR H1434-1435)
- Mar 17, 2016: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Mar 16, 2016: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Mar 16, 2016: Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 7 3.
- Mar 16, 2016: Reported by the Committee on Rules. H. Rept. 114-457.
- Mar 16, 2016: Placed on the House Calendar, Calendar No. 96.
- Mar 16, 2016: Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 649 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H. Res. 639 with 1 hour of general debate. Motion to recommit allowed. Measure will be considered read. Bill is closed to amendments.
- Mar 14, 2016: Introduced in House
- Mar 14, 2016: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.