

HR 727

Puerto Rico Statehood Admission Process Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Indians, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs. (Mar 16, 2015)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (110 total)

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Rep. Gabbard, Tulsi [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Feb 4, 2015
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Rep. Jeffries, Hakeem S. [D-NY-8]	D · NY		Feb 4, 2015
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Feb 4, 2015
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Feb 4, 2015
Rep. King, Peter T. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Feb 4, 2015
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Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		Feb 4, 2015
Rep. Lewis, John [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Feb 4, 2015
Rep. Marino, Tom [R-PA-10]	R · PA		Feb 4, 2015
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-5]	D · NY		Feb 4, 2015
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Rep. Murphy, Patrick [D-FL-18]	D · FL		Feb 4, 2015
Rep. Polis, Jared [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Feb 4, 2015
Rep. Ribble, Reid J. [R-WI-8]	R · WI		Feb 4, 2015
Rep. Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [R-FL-27]	R · FL		Feb 4, 2015

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Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Feb 4, 2015
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Feb 4, 2015
Rep. Schock, Aaron [R-IL-18]	R · IL		Feb 4, 2015
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Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Feb 12, 2015
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Rep. Green, Gene [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Feb 12, 2015
Rep. Israel, Steve [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Feb 12, 2015
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Rep. Perlmutter, Ed [D-CO-7]	D · CO		Feb 12, 2015
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Feb 12, 2015
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Feb 12, 2015
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Feb 25, 2015
Rep. Mooney, Alexander X. [R-WV-2]	R · WV		Feb 25, 2015
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Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Mar 4, 2015
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		Mar 4, 2015
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Mar 4, 2015
Rep. Walz, Timothy J. [D-MN-1]	D · MN		Mar 4, 2015
Rep. Capuano, Michael E. [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Mar 18, 2015
Rep. Carney, John C., Jr. [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Mar 18, 2015
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Mar 18, 2015
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Mar 18, 2015
Rep. Fattah, Chaka [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Mar 18, 2015
Rep. Hahn, Janice [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Mar 18, 2015
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Mar 18, 2015
Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Mar 18, 2015
Rep. Schrader, Kurt [D-OR-5]	D · OR		Mar 18, 2015
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Mar 18, 2015
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Mar 19, 2015
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Mar 25, 2015
Rep. Castro, Joaquin [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Mar 25, 2015

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Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Mar 25, 2015
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Mar 25, 2015
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Mar 25, 2015
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Mar 25, 2015
Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Mar 25, 2015
Rep. Capps, Lois [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Mar 26, 2015
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Mar 26, 2015
Rep. Delaney, John K. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Apr 22, 2015
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Rep. Kirkpatrick, Ann [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Apr 22, 2015
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		Apr 22, 2015
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Apr 22, 2015
Rep. McDermott, Jim [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Apr 22, 2015
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Apr 22, 2015
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Apr 22, 2015
Rep. Ruppersberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		Apr 22, 2015
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Apr 22, 2015
Rep. Vela, Filemon [D-TX-34]	D · TX		Apr 22, 2015
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Apr 29, 2015
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Apr 30, 2015
Rep. Brady, Robert A. [D-PA-1]	D · PA		May 21, 2015
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		May 21, 2015
Rep. Graham, Gwen [D-FL-2]	D · FL		Jun 16, 2015
Rep. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Jun 18, 2015
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Jun 25, 2015
Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Jul 29, 2015

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 16, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 3044	Related bill	Jun 9, 2016: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Puerto Rico Statehood Admission Process Act

Authorizes the State Elections Commission of Puerto Rico to provide for a vote on Puerto Rico's admission into the Union as a state within one year of this Act's enactment.

Requires the governor of Puerto Rico to transmit the results of such vote to the President, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate within 10 days after the certification of the vote by the Commission.

Directs the President, if a majority of the votes cast are for Puerto Rico's admission as a state: (1) within 30 calendar days of receipt of the certified results, to issue a proclamation to begin the transition process that will culminate in Puerto Rico's admission as a state effective January 1, 2021; and (2) within 90 calendar days of such receipt, to appoint a Commission on the Equal Application of Federal Law to Puerto Rico, which shall survey U.S. laws and submit recommendations to Congress by July 1, 2018, as to how laws that do not apply, or that apply differently, to the territory should be amended or repealed to treat Puerto Rico equally.

Requires Puerto Rico to carry out necessary actions by January 1, 2020, to enable it to hold elections for federal office in November 2020, including the election to the 117th Congress of two U.S. Senators and the number of Representatives to which it would have been entitled for the 116th Congress if it had been a state during such Congress. Provides for a temporary increase in the membership of the House of Representatives initially and a permanent increase effective with the taking effect of the first reapportionment occurring after the regular decennial census conducted for 2020.

Requires the President, following a transition process, to issue a proclamation declaring that Puerto Rico is admitted to the Union on an equal footing with the other states, effective January 1, 2021.

Sets forth provisions regarding the continuity of government and the continuity of laws of Puerto Rico.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 16, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Indians, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs.
- **Feb 4, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 4, 2015:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H760)
- **Feb 4, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.