

HR 4223

BURMA Act of 2017

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: International Affairs

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

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Rep. Culberson, John Abney [R-TX-7]	R · TX		Mar 14, 2018
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Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		May 8, 2018
Rep. Lipinski, Daniel [D-IL-3]	D · IL		May 25, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 2, 2017
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 2, 2017
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 2, 2017
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 2, 2017
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 2, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 3696	Related bill	Nov 29, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
115 S 2060	Related bill	Feb 12, 2018: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 307.

Burma Unified through Rigorous Military Accountability Act of 2017 or the BURMA Act of 2017

This bill expresses the sense of Congress that the government of Burma (Myanmar) should ensure the safe and voluntary return of displaced people and fully implement the recommendations of the Advisory Commission on Rakhine State.

The U.S. Executive Director of each international financial institution shall use U.S. influence to support only projects in Burma that do not partner or contract with or otherwise benefit any enterprise owned or controlled by the Burmese military.

The United States may not supply security assistance or engage in military programs with the Burmese armed forces or security forces until the Department of Defense certifies that such armed forces have demonstrated significant progress in abiding by international human rights standards and are undertaking significant security sector reform.

U.S. import restrictions on Burmese jadeite and rubies shall remain in effect until the President certifies that Burma has taken substantial measures to reform its gemstone industry.

The President shall: (1) submit a list of each senior Burmese military or security official who has played a substantial role in the commission of human rights abuses or who has failed to investigate human rights abuses, and (2) exclude any such individual from U.S. entry.

The President shall determine whether specified individuals should be included in the list of specially designated nationals and blocked persons maintained by the Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control.

The Department of State, Treasury, and the U.S. Agency for International Development shall jointly submit to Congress an assistance strategy to promote broad-based economic development in Burma.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 2, 2017:** Introduced in House
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