

## HR 669

Restricting First Use of Nuclear Weapons Act of 2017

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

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| Rep. Lewis, John [D-GA-5]                   | D · GA        |      | May 23, 2018 |
| Rep. Kennedy, Joseph P., III [D-MA-4]       | D · MA        |      | Sep 13, 2018 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                 | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Foreign Affairs Committee | House   | Referred To | Jan 24, 2017 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

### Related Bills

| Bill      | Relationship   | Last Action   |
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| 115 S 200 | Identical bill | <b>Jan 24, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. |

### Summary (as of Jan 24, 2017)

#### Restricting First Use of Nuclear Weapons Act of 2017

This bill prohibits the President from using the Armed Forces to conduct a first-use nuclear strike unless such strike is conducted pursuant to a congressional declaration of war expressly authorizing such strike.

"First-use nuclear strike" means a nuclear weapons attack against an enemy that is conducted without the President determining that the enemy has first launched a nuclear strike against the United States or a U.S. ally.

### Actions Timeline

- **Jan 24, 2017:** Introduced in House
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