

## SRES 71

A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that John Arthur "Jack" Johnson should receive a posthumous pardon for the racially motivated conviction in 1913 that diminished the athletic, cultural, and historic significance of Jack Johnson and unduly tarnished his reputation.

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**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** AZ • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 28, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HCONRES 31	Related bill	Mar 6, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

### Summary (as of Feb 28, 2017)

Expresses the sense of the Senate that Jack Johnson, the first African-American professional boxer to hold the title of Heavyweight Champion of the World, should receive a posthumous pardon to expunge from the annals of American criminal justice a racially motivated abuse of the federal government's prosecutorial authority and to recognize his athletic and cultural contributions to society.

### Actions Timeline

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