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### National Commission on the Federal Response to Natural Disasters in Puerto Rico Act of 2019

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### Sponsor

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Sen. Harris, Kamala D. [D-CA]	D · CA		Jan 3, 2019
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 3, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Emergency Management

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 229	Identical bill	<b>Feb 7, 2019:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.

## **National Commission on the Federal Response to Natural Disasters in Puerto Rico Act of 2019**

This bill establishes a National Commission on the Federal Response to Natural Disasters in Puerto Rico to examine the federal preparedness, response, and recovery activities with respect to the 2017 natural disasters in Puerto Rico.

The commission shall take into consideration the federal preparedness, response, and recovery efforts in Puerto Rico as compared to other jurisdictions impacted by the 2017 hurricane season, and consider other issues, including the impact and destruction of Hurricanes Irma and Maria, the vulnerability of Puerto Rico's economic situation on preparedness, the implications of Puerto Rico's reliance on imported oil for power generation, and the adequacy of the telecommunications network in Puerto Rico.

### **Actions Timeline**

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