

## HR 3508

### South China Sea and East China Sea Sanctions Act of 2019

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**Chamber:** House

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## Sponsor

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## Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Jun 26, 2019
Rep. Mullin, Markwayne [R-OK-2]	R · OK		Jul 22, 2019

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 26, 2019
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 26, 2019
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 26, 2019
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 30, 2019
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 27, 2019

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

International Affairs

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1634	Identical bill	May 23, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

## **South China Sea and East China Sea Sanctions Act of 2019**

This bill imposes sanctions on Chinese persons and entities that participate in certain activities related to China's territorial disputes in the South China Sea and East China Sea and addresses other related issues.

The President shall impose property-blocking and visa-denial sanctions on Chinese persons and entities that (1) contribute to development projects in parts of the South China Sea contested by a member country of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, or (2) engage in actions or policies that threaten the peace or stability in disputed South China Sea areas or in an East China Sea area administered by Japan or South Korea. The bill prohibits U.S. entities from investing in or insuring projects involving sanctioned entities in either sea.

The President shall also impose prohibitions and restrictions on correspondent and payable-through accounts related to sanctioned entities if the Office of the Director of National Intelligence determines that China has taken certain actions, such as declaring an air defense identification zone over the South China Sea.

The Government Publishing Office shall not publish any resources that portray the contested territories in either sea as part of China, with limited exceptions. The Department of Defense, U.S. flagged vessels, or U.S. aircraft may not take any action that implies recognition of China's claimed sovereignty over contested territories.

The State Department shall periodically report to Congress identifying countries that recognize China's claims to the contested territories. Certain types of foreign aid may not be provided to such countries.

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## **Actions Timeline**

- **Jul 30, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Jun 27, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.
- **Jun 26, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 26, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Financial Services, Armed Services, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.