

HR 649

Uyghur Human Rights Policy Act of 2019

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: International Affairs

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Mar 4, 2019)

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** NJ • **Chamber:** House

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Rep. Pelosi, Nancy [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Jan 23, 2019
Rep. Wexton, Jennifer [D-VA-10]	D · VA		Jan 23, 2019
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Jan 29, 2019
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Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Jan 29, 2019
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Feb 4, 2019
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Feb 4, 2019
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Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Feb 25, 2019
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Rep. Omar, Ilhan [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Feb 28, 2019
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Mar 5, 2019
Rep. Cooper, Jim [D-TN-5]	D · TN		Mar 6, 2019
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Mar 6, 2019
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Mar 7, 2019
Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-8]	D · PA		Mar 8, 2019
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Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Mar 13, 2019
Rep. Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Mar 18, 2019
Rep. Watkins, Steve [R-KS-2]	R · KS		Mar 18, 2019

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Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Apr 30, 2019
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Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		May 20, 2019
Rep. Lipinski, Daniel [D-IL-3]	D · IL		May 21, 2019
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Rep. Porter, Katie [D-CA-45]	D · CA		May 28, 2019
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		May 30, 2019
Rep. Stevens, Haley M. [D-MI-11]	D · MI		May 30, 2019
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Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		Jun 3, 2019
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Jun 3, 2019
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Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Jun 6, 2019
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Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Jun 13, 2019
Rep. Correa, J. Luis [D-CA-46]	D · CA		Jun 18, 2019
Rep. Hill, Katie [D-CA-25]	D · CA		Jun 18, 2019
Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Jun 18, 2019
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Rep. Trahan, Lori [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Jun 26, 2019
Rep. Allred, Colin Z. [D-TX-32]	D · TX		Jun 27, 2019
Rep. Johnson, Mike [R-LA-4]	R · LA		Jun 28, 2019
Rep. Kelly, Robin L. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Jun 28, 2019

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Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Jul 2, 2019
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Jul 11, 2019
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Jul 11, 2019
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Jul 11, 2019
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Jul 16, 2019
Rep. Lamborn, Doug [R-CO-5]	R · CO		Jul 23, 2019
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Aug 2, 2019
Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Aug 2, 2019
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Aug 2, 2019
Rep. Pressley, Ayanna [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Aug 9, 2019
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Aug 23, 2019
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Aug 23, 2019
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Aug 23, 2019
Rep. Rouda, Harley [D-CA-48]	D · CA		Aug 27, 2019
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Aug 30, 2019
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Sep 6, 2019
Rep. Budd, Ted [R-NC-13]	R · NC		Sep 11, 2019
Rep. Wright, Ron [R-TX-6]	R · TX		Sep 17, 2019
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Sep 19, 2019
Rep. Smucker, Lloyd [R-PA-11]	R · PA		Sep 19, 2019
Rep. Yoho, Ted S. [R-FL-3]	R · FL		Sep 19, 2019
Rep. Brown, Anthony G. [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Sep 24, 2019
Rep. Hurd, Will [R-TX-23]	R · TX		Sep 24, 2019
Rep. Shalala, Donna E. [D-FL-27]	D · FL		Sep 24, 2019
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Sep 24, 2019
Rep. Garcia, Jesus G. "Chuy" [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Oct 4, 2019
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Oct 11, 2019
Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6]	D · CO		Oct 17, 2019
Rep. Hartzler, Vicky [R-MO-4]	R · MO		Oct 17, 2019
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Oct 18, 2019
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Davis, Susan A. [D-CA-53]	D · CA		Oct 21, 2019
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Oct 23, 2019
Rep. Bera, Ami [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Oct 29, 2019
Rep. Crawford, Eric A. "Rick" [R-AR-1]	R · AR		Oct 29, 2019
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Rep. Clay, Wm. Lacy [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Nov 8, 2019
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Nov 8, 2019
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Nov 8, 2019
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Nov 15, 2019
Rep. Meuser, Daniel [R-PA-9]	R · PA		Nov 15, 2019
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Nov 15, 2019

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Rep. Rigglesman, Denver [R-VA-5]	R · VA		Nov 15, 2019
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Nov 18, 2019
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Nov 26, 2019
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Dec 3, 2019
Rep. Ruppersberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		Dec 3, 2019
Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		Dec 9, 2019
Rep. Gooden, Lance [R-TX-5]	R · TX		Dec 9, 2019
Rep. Lee, Susie [D-NV-3]	D · NV		Dec 9, 2019
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Jan 14, 2020
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Feb 3, 2020
Rep. Yarmuth, John A. [D-KY-3]	D · KY		Feb 21, 2020
Rep. Green, Al [D-TX-9]	D · TX		Jul 9, 2020
Rep. Delgado, Antonio [D-NY-19]	D · NY		Aug 18, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 17, 2019
Intelligence (Permanent Select) Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 17, 2019
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 4, 2019
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 178	Related bill	Oct 21, 2020: Second cloture on the motion to concur in the House amendment to S. 178 with an amendment (SA 2652) not invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 51 - 44. Record Vote Number: 207. (CR S6343)

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This bill directs various U.S. government bodies to prepare reports on China's treatment of the Uyghurs, a predominantly Muslim Turkic ethnic group.

The Office of the Director of National Intelligence shall report to Congress on issues including the security threats caused by the Chinese government's reported crackdown on the Uyghur population in Xinjiang province, the frequency with which other governments are forcibly returning Turkic Muslim refugees and asylum seekers to China, and the development or transfer of technology that facilitates mass internment and surveillance.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation shall report on topics such as its efforts to protect ethnic Uyghurs and Chinese nationals in the United States from Chinese government intimidation.

The U.S. Agency for Global Media shall report on media-related matters, including the reach of U.S. media into Xinjiang, assessments of Chinese propaganda strategies, and U.S. actions to counter such efforts to downplay the crackdown.

The Department of State shall report on the scope of the reported crackdown in Xinjiang, including the number of detained individuals, the use of forced labor in the region, an assessment of government surveillance in the province, and U.S. diplomatic efforts to address the crackdown.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 4, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Mar 4, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Jan 17, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 17, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Intelligence (Permanent Select), and the Judiciary, 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.