

HR 920

Venezuela Arms Restriction Act

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Chamber: House

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Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (Mar 26, 2019)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Shalala, Donna E. [D-FL-27]

Party: Democratic • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Mario [R-FL-25]	R · FL		Jan 30, 2019
Rep. Mucarsel-Powell, Debbie [D-FL-26]	D · FL		Jan 30, 2019
Rep. Murphy, Stephanie N. [D-FL-7]	D · FL		Jan 30, 2019
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Jan 30, 2019
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Jan 30, 2019
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Jan 30, 2019
Resident Commissioner González-Colón, Jenniffer [R-PR-At Large]	R · PR		Jan 30, 2019
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Feb 5, 2019
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Feb 11, 2019
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Feb 22, 2019
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Mar 12, 2019
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Mar 25, 2019
Rep. Taylor, Van [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Mar 25, 2019
Rep. Waltz, Michael [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Mar 25, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Mar 14, 2019
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 26, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 1865	Related bill	Dec 20, 2019: Became Public Law No: 116-94.

Summary (as of Mar 25, 2019)

Venezuela Arms Restriction Act

This bill prohibits the export of weapons and related services to security forces controlled by any Venezuelan government not recognized by the United States.

(The United States recognizes Juan Guaido as interim president, not the government of President Nicolas Maduro.)

The prohibition includes weapons, weapons systems, munitions, and equipment or materials necessary to produce such weapons. Defense services, including testing and repair of weapons, technical assistance, and training, are also prohibited.

The Department of State shall report to Congress on the transfer of the prohibited items and services by foreign persons to the unrecognized Venezuelan government security forces. The report shall also include information on any known use of the prohibited items and services by such security forces.

The unrecognized Venezuelan security forces include (1) the Bolivarian National Armed Forces, including the Bolivarian National Guard; (2) the Bolivarian National Intelligence Service; (3) the Bolivarian National Police; and (4) the Bureau for Scientific, Criminal and Forensic Investigations of the Ministry of Interior, Justice, and Peace.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 26, 2019:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
- **Mar 25, 2019:** Mr. Sires moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Mar 25, 2019:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2767-2769)
- **Mar 25, 2019:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 920.
- **Mar 25, 2019:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H2767-2768)
- **Mar 25, 2019:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H2767-2768)
- **Mar 25, 2019:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 14, 2019:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 14, 2019:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 14, 2019:** Committee Agreed to Seek Consideration Under Suspension of the Rules.
- **Jan 30, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 30, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.