

## HR 219

### Earth Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Foreign Trade and International Finance

**Introduced:** Jan 6, 2021

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means. (Jan 6, 2021)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/219>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-35]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 6, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Foreign Trade and International Finance

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 3975	Related bill	<b>Jun 17, 2021:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.

### Summary (as of Jan 6, 2021)

#### The Earth Act

This bill establishes an additional basis for excluding a foreign country from designation as a beneficiary developing country for the purposes of preferential trade treatment.

Specifically, the bill makes a country ineligible for this designation if it fails to effectively enforce its environmental laws or to fulfill its international environmental obligations. The President, when making this designation, must take into account the extent to which a country effectively enforces these laws and fulfills these obligations.

## Actions Timeline

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