

S 688

BOLIVAR Act

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

Introduced: Mar 10, 2021

Current Status: Held at the desk.

Latest Action: Held at the desk. (Dec 20, 2022)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL]

Party: Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Mar 10, 2021
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Mar 10, 2021
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Mar 10, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 12, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 621	Related bill	Jan 28, 2021: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.

Banning Operations and Leases with the Illegitimate Venezuelan Authoritarian Regime Act or the BOLIVAR Act

This bill temporarily prohibits an executive agency from entering into a contract for the procurement of goods or services with any person that it determines, with the concurrence of the Department of State, knowingly engages in significant business operations with the Maduro regime in Venezuela.

The bill lists exceptions, including where vital to U.S. national security or as necessary for purposes of providing humanitarian assistance, disaster relief and other urgent lifesaving measures, or to carry out noncombatant evacuations.

The prohibition shall not apply to contracts that support U.S. government activities in Venezuela or to contracts with international organizations.

The State Department may waive the requirements of this bill upon determining that to do so is in the national interest.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 20, 2022:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 20, 2022:** Held at the desk.
- **Dec 16, 2022:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 15, 2022:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7265)
- **Dec 15, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote.
- **Dec 15, 2022:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote. (text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR S7265)
- **Jul 12, 2021:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Peters without amendment. With written report No. 117-28.
- **Jul 12, 2021:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 96.
- **Mar 17, 2021:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Mar 10, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 10, 2021:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.