

HR 638

China Trade Relations Act of 2023

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Foreign Trade and International Finance

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade. (Dec 17, 2024)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]

Party: Republican • State: NJ • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Tiffany, Thomas P. [R-WI-7]	R · WI		Jan 30, 2023
Rep. Ogles, Andrew [R-TN-5]	R · TN		Oct 25, 2023
Rep. Ellzey, Jake [R-TX-6]	R · TX		Dec 10, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 30, 2023
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 17, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Foreign Trade and International Finance

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 125	Related bill	Jan 26, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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This bill withdraws normal trade relations treatment from China and expands the bases of ineligibility for this treatment to include specified violations of human rights and other actions by China.

Specifically, during any period in which China engages in specified activities (e.g., performing forced abortion or sterilization or operating concentration camps where people are held against their will) or does not comply with certain standards (1) products from China shall not be eligible to receive nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations), (2) China may not participate in any U.S. program that extends credits or credit guarantees or investment guarantees, and (3) the President may not conclude any commercial agreement with China.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 17, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.
- **Jan 30, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 30, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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.