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**106th Congress (1999 - 2000)**  
**H.R.755**  
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**H.R.755**

**Title:** **Guam War** Claims Review Commission Act

**Sponsor:** [Rep Underwood, Robert A.](#) [GU] (introduced 2/11/1999)   [Cosponsors](#) (11)

**Related Bills:** [S.524](#)

**Latest Major Action:** 9/13/2000 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

**House Reports:** [106-815](#)

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**SUMMARY AS OF:**

9/12/2000--Passed House amended. (There are 2 [other summaries](#))

**Guam War** Claims Review Commission Act- Establishes the **Guam War** Claims Review Commission to: (1) review the facts and circumstances surrounding the implementation and administration of the **Guam** Meritorious Claims Act and its effectiveness in addressing the **war** claims of American nationals residing on **Guam** between December 8, 1941, and July 21, 1944; (2) determine after review of documents and oral testimony whether there was parity of **war** claims paid to **Guam** residents under such Act with **war** claims paid to U.S. citizens or nationals who lived in or had holdings in foreign countries and other U.S. possessions occupied by the Japanese during World **War** II; (3) estimate the total amount necessary to compensate the **Guam** people for death, personal injury, forced labor, forced march, and internment; and (4) report its comments and recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior and specified congressional committees.

Authorizes appropriations.

**MAJOR ACTIONS:**

2/11/1999	Introduced in House
9/6/2000	Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Resources. H. Rept. <a href="#">106-815</a> .
9/12/2000	Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.
9/13/2000	Referred to Senate committee: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

**ALL ACTIONS:**

**2/11/1999:**

Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR [H631-632](#))

**2/11/1999:**

Referred to the House Committee on Resources.

**2/22/1999:**

Executive Comment Requested from Interior.

**4/13/2000:**

Committee Hearings Held.

**6/28/2000:**

Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.

**6/28/2000:**

Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.

**7/18/2000:**

Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR [H6451-6455](#))

**9/6/2000 4:34pm:**

Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Resources. H. Rept. [106-815](#).

**9/6/2000 4:34pm:**

Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 476.

**9/12/2000 4:09pm:**

Mr. Walden moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

**9/12/2000 4:09pm:**

Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR [H7414-7416](#))

**9/12/2000 4:09pm:**

DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on [H.R. 755](#).

**9/12/2000 4:21pm:**

On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR [H7414-7415](#))

**9/12/2000 4:21pm:**

Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

**9/12/2000 4:21pm:**

The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.

**9/13/2000:**

Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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**TITLE(S):** *(italics indicate a title for a portion of a bill)*

- SHORT TITLE(S) AS INTRODUCED:  
**Guam War** Restitution Act
- SHORT TITLE(S) AS REPORTED TO HOUSE:  
**Guam War** Claims Review Commission Act
- SHORT TITLE(S) AS PASSED HOUSE:  
**Guam War** Claims Review Commission Act
- OFFICIAL TITLE AS INTRODUCED:  
To amend the Organic Act of **Guam** to provide restitution to the people of **Guam** who suffered atrocities such as personal injury, forced labor, forced marches, internment, and death during the occupation of **Guam** in World **War** II, and for other purposes.

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**COSPONSORS(11), ALPHABETICAL** [followed by Cosponsors withdrawn]: (Sort: [by date](#))

[Rep Abercrombie, Neil](#) [HI-1] - 2/11/1999  
[Rep Christensen, Donna MC](#) [VI] - 2/11/1999  
[Rep Faleomavaega, Eni F.H.](#) [AS] - 2/11/1999  
[Rep Frost, Martin](#) [TX-24] - 2/11/1999  
[Rep Holden, Tim](#) [PA-6] - 2/11/1999  
[Rep Hyde, Henry J.](#) [IL-6] - 6/23/2000  
[Rep Kennedy, Patrick J.](#) [RI-1] - 2/11/1999  
[Rep Lipinski, William O.](#) [IL-3] - 2/11/1999  
[Rep Miller, George](#) [CA-7] - 6/29/2000  
[Rep Ortiz, Solomon P.](#) [TX-27] - 2/11/1999  
[Rep Romero-Barcelo, Carlos A.](#) [PR] - 2/11/1999

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**COMMITTEE(S):**

<b>Committee/Subcommittee:</b>	<b>Activity:</b>
<a href="#">House Resources</a>	Referral, Hearings, Markup, Reporting
<a href="#">Senate Energy and Natural Resources</a>	Referral, In Committee

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**RELATED BILL DETAILS: (additional related bills may be identified in Status)**

<b>Bill:</b>	<b>Relationship:</b>
<a href="#">S.524</a>	Identical bill identified by CRS

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**AMENDMENT(S):**

\*\*\*NONE\*\*\*

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