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H.R.1595

Title: **Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act**

Sponsor: [Rep Bordallo, Madeleine Z.](#) [GU] (introduced 3/20/2007) [Cosponsors](#) (63)

Latest Major Action: 5/9/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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SUMMARY AS OF:

5/8/2007--Passed House amended. (There are 2 [other summaries](#))

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on May 7, 2007. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act - (Sec. 2) Recognizes the great suffering and steadfast loyalty and courage of the people of **Guam** during the Japanese occupation of **Guam** in World **War II**.

(Sec. 3) Directs the Secretary of the Treasury to make the following payments for **Guam World War II** claims: (1) spouses, children or parents of compensable **Guam** decedents would be eligible for \$25,000; (2) compensable **Guam** victims who were raped or suffered severe personal injury would be eligible for \$15,000, those who were subjected to forced labor or suffered personal injury would be eligible for \$12,000, and those who were subjected to forced march, internment, or hiding to evade internment would be eligible for \$10,000; and (3) eligible heirs of compensable decedents or compensable victims would be eligible for \$7,000.

Requires payments to be made to living compensable **Guam** victims before survivor payments are made.

Defines "compensable **Guam** decedent" and "compensable **Guam** victim."

(Sec. 4) Authorizes the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission to adjudicate claims and determine payment eligibility.

Requires: (1) claims to be filed within one year after the Commission publishes public notice of the filing period in the Federal Register; and (2) the Commission to make filing period information available to the public through the media in **Guam**.

(Sec. 5) Directs the Secretary of the Interior to establish a grant program for research, educational, and media activities that memorialize the events surrounding the occupation of **Guam** during World **War II**, honor the loyalty of the people of **Guam** during such occupation, or both.

(Sec. 6) Authorizes appropriations which shall remain available for obligation until September 30, 2012, for: (1) claims payments and adjudication; and (2) the World **War II** grants program.

MAJOR ACTIONS:

3/20/2007	Introduced in House
5/7/2007	Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 110-129 .
5/8/2007	Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 288 - 133 (Roll no. 309).
5/9/2007	Referred to Senate committee: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ALL ACTIONS:

3/20/2007:

Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

5/2/2007:

Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.

5/2/2007:

Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.

5/7/2007 12:35pm:

Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. [110-129](#).

5/7/2007 12:36pm:

Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 78.

5/7/2007 2:40pm:

Ms. Bordallo moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

5/7/2007 2:41pm:

Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR [H4495-4499](#))

5/7/2007 2:41pm:

DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on [H.R. 1595](#).

5/7/2007 2:59pm:

At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.

5/8/2007 4:08pm:

Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR [H4608-4609](#))

5/8/2007 4:16pm:

On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 288 - 133 ([Roll no. 309](#)). (text: CR 5/7/2007 [H4495-4496](#))

5/8/2007 4:16pm:

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

5/9/2007:

Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

- SHORT TITLE(S) AS INTRODUCED:
Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act
- SHORT TITLE(S) AS REPORTED TO HOUSE:
Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act
- SHORT TITLE(S) AS PASSED HOUSE:
Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act
- OFFICIAL TITLE AS INTRODUCED:
To implement the recommendations of the **Guam War** Claims Review Commission.

COSPONSORS(63), ALPHABETICAL [followed by Cosponsors withdrawn]: (Sort: [by date](#))

[Rep Abercrombie, Neil](#) [HI-1] - 3/21/2007
[Rep Bartlett, Roscoe G.](#) [MD-6] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Berkley, Shelley](#) [NV-1] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Boozman, John](#) [AR-3] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Burton, Dan](#) [IN-5] - 3/20/2007
[Rep Butterfield, G. K.](#) [NC-1] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Christensen, Donna M.](#) [VI] - 3/20/2007
[Rep Clyburn, James E.](#) [SC-6] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Convers, John, Jr.](#) [MI-14] - 3/22/2007
[Rep Davis, Danny K.](#) [IL-7] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Davis, Susan A.](#) [CA-53] - 3/26/2007
[Rep English, Phil](#) [PA-3] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Faleomavaega, Eni F.H.](#) [AS] - 3/20/2007
[Rep Farr, Sam](#) [CA-17] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Filner, Bob](#) [CA-51] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Fortuno, Luis G.](#) [PR] - 3/20/2007
[Rep Gallegly, Elton](#) [CA-24] - 4/19/2007
[Rep Gingrey, Phil](#) [GA-11] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Green, Al](#) [TX-9] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] - 3/20/2007
[Rep Hinchey, Maurice D.](#) [NY-22] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Hirono, Mazie K.](#) [HI-2] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Holden, Tim](#) [PA-17] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Honda, Michael M.](#) [CA-15] - 3/20/2007
[Rep Hoyer, Steny H.](#) [MD-5] - 3/20/2007
[Rep Jackson-Lee, Sheila](#) [TX-18] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Jones, Walter B., Jr.](#) [NC-3] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Kaptur, Marcy](#) [OH-9] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Kind, Ron](#) [WI-3] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Kucinich, Dennis J.](#) [OH-10] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Lantos, Tom](#) [CA-12] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Lee, Barbara](#) [CA-9] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Loeb sack, David](#) [IA-2] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Matsui, Doris O.](#) [CA-5] - 5/7/2007
[Rep McDermott, Jim](#) [WA-7] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Miller, George](#) [CA-7] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Miller, Jeff](#) [FL-1] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Napolitano, Grace F.](#) [CA-38] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Norton, Eleanor Holmes](#) [DC] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Ortiz, Solomon P.](#) [TX-27] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Pallone, Frank, Jr.](#) [NJ-6] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Rahall, Nick J., II](#) [WV-3] - 3/20/2007
[Rep Rangel, Charles B.](#) [NY-15] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Rehberg, Dennis R.](#) [MT] - 3/22/2007
[Rep Rodriguez, Ciro D.](#) [TX-23] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Sanchez, Linda T.](#) [CA-39] - 5/7/2007

[Rep Sanchez, Loretta](#) [CA-47] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Schakowsky, Janice D.](#) [IL-9] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Scott, David](#) [GA-13] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Scott, Robert C. "Bobby"](#) [VA-3] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Sensenbrenner, F. James, Jr.](#) [WI-5] - 3/21/2007
[Rep Skelton, Ike](#) [MO-4] - 3/30/2007
[Rep Solis, Hilda L.](#) [CA-32] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Tauscher, Ellen O.](#) [CA-10] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Towns, Edolphus](#) [NY-10] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Udall, Mark](#) [CO-2] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Velazquez, Nydia M.](#) [NY-12] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Wasserman Schultz, Debbie](#) [FL-20] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Watson, Diane E.](#) [CA-33] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Wilson, Joe](#) [SC-2] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Woolsey, Lynn C.](#) [CA-6] - 5/7/2007
[Rep Wu, David](#) [OR-1] - 3/26/2007
[Rep Young, Don](#) [AK] - 3/22/2007

COMMITTEE(S):**Committee/Subcommittee: Activity:**

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