
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AND OBERLANDER, SEPTEMBER 29, 2015

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, SEPTEMBER 29, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Congress of the United States to reject the Joint
2 Comprehensive Plan of Action relating to Iran's nuclear
3 program.

4 WHEREAS, Under Federal law, it is the duty of both the House
5 of Representatives and the Senate of the Congress of the United
6 States to approve or disapprove the Joint Comprehensive Plan of
7 Action on Iran's nuclear program by September 18, 2015; and

8 WHEREAS, The State of Israel is a great friend and ally of
9 the United States in the Middle East; and

10 WHEREAS, Widespread concerns remain in the United States,
11 Israel and elsewhere that the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action
12 creates unacceptable risks for the United States, Israel and
13 other countries; and

14 WHEREAS, The Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action helps Iran by
15 removing sanctions imposed by China, France, Germany, Russia,
16 the United Kingdom and the United States; and

17 WHEREAS, Past history and recent pronouncements of leaders of

1 Iran's government strongly suggest that a portion of the
2 additional money that will flow into Iran as a result of the
3 lifting of sanctions will be funneled into terroristic
4 organizations and activities; and

5 WHEREAS, The Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action balances
6 immediate voluntary restrictions in Iran's efforts to develop
7 nuclear capacity with a future right to an unlimited nuclear and
8 thermonuclear capacity; and

9 WHEREAS, The many voluntary elements of the Joint
10 Comprehensive Plan of Action have many exemptions, including the
11 ability for Iran to obtain weapons-grade fuel from foreign
12 nations such as North Korea, Russia and China; and

13 WHEREAS, Fear of Iran as a nuclear power will lead other
14 Middle Eastern nations to seek nuclear capabilities themselves,
15 creating a new arms race in the historically volatile Middle
16 East; and

17 WHEREAS, The tools of military intelligence and inspections
18 relied on to enforce the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action are
19 limited tools that do not always lead to uncovering violations
20 of nuclear accords and therefore provide only limited
21 international security; and

22 WHEREAS, Even in the event of disapproval of the Joint
23 Comprehensive Plan of Action by the Congress, all major powers
24 and many other countries have a strong and permanent interest in
25 reducing the potential for war, terrorism and violent conflict
26 in the Middle East that will create incentives to develop a new
27 plan acceptable to the Congress; therefore be it

28 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
29 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania urge members of Congress to reject
30 the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That the members of Congress be urged to override a
2 presidential veto if one occurs; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That the United States sanctions be maintained
4 against Iran and the United States continue its efforts for
5 continued sanctions by China, France, Germany, Russia, the
6 United Kingdom and other countries; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That further negotiations link the elimination of
8 Iran's nuclear arsenal, elimination of Iran's financial and
9 rhetorical support for acts of terrorism and the elimination of
10 continuous hateful rhetoric against the United States and
11 Israel; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to each
13 member of the Congress of the United States and to the
14 President, Vice President and Secretary of State of the United
15 States.