
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20—COMMITTEE ON
LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

MARCH 23, 2015

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Urges the President and Congress of the United States to support the participation of the Republic of China on Taiwan in the Trans-Pacific Partnership. (BDR R-1264)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION—Urging the President and Congress of the United States to support the participation of the Republic of China on Taiwan in the Trans-Pacific Partnership.

- 1 WHEREAS, We maintain the belief that this country has a
2 responsibility to promote the values of freedom and democracy and
3 to make a commitment to open markets and to the free exchange of
4 goods and ideas both at home and abroad; and
5 WHEREAS, The Republic of China on Taiwan shares our belief,
6 values and commitment and has overcome many obstacles
7 throughout the past 60 years to create the open, market-based
8 economy that it boasts today; and
9 WHEREAS, Despite Taiwan’s membership in the World Trade
10 Organization since 2002 and its rank as this country’s 10th largest
11 trading partner, a formal trade agreement has yet to be reached
12 between Taiwan and the United States; and
13 WHEREAS, The United States is participating in negotiations
14 with several countries to craft an Asia-Pacific trade agreement,
15 known as the Trans-Pacific Partnership, which is designed to
16 address trade issues and challenges of the 21st century and through
17 which the United States looks to boost economic growth through the
18 increase of exports to the Asia-Pacific region; and



1 WHEREAS, Taiwan continues to be a significant consumer of our
2 country's goods and commodities, purchasing billions of dollars'
3 worth of U.S. exports each year; and

4 WHEREAS, Taiwan's inclusion in the Trans-Pacific Partnership
5 is necessary to achieve the regional economic integration; now,
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF
8 NEVADA, JOINTLY, That the members of the 78th Session of the
9 Nevada Legislature hereby urge President Barack Obama and
10 the Congress of the United States to support the participation of the
11 Republic of China on Taiwan in the Trans-Pacific Partnership; and
12 be it further

13 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and
14 transmit a copy of this resolution to the President of the United
15 States, the Vice President of the United States as presiding officer of
16 the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of
17 Representatives, the United States Secretary of State, each member
18 of the Nevada Congressional Delegation and the Director General of
19 the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in San Francisco,
20 California; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon
22 passage.

