



## **H.R. 2949 – Eurasia Foundation Act**

### **FLOOR SITUATION**

H.R. 2949 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Robert Wexler (D-FL) on June 28, 2007. The Committee agreed to seek consideration under suspension of the rules, as amended, by Unanimous Consent on October 23, 2007.

H.R. 2949 is expected to be considered by on November 5, 2007.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Eurasia Foundation is a private, non-profit organization that awards grants to support projects in the former Soviet Union that advance private enterprise development, public administration and policy, and civil society.

The Eurasia Foundation is funded primarily by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), as well as private and public donors.

### **SUMMARY**

H.R. 2949 allows the Secretary of State to make an annual grant to the Eurasia Foundation.

Under this legislation, the Eurasia Foundation still has the authority to accept funding from non-United States Government sources.

H.R. 2949 authorizes \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 2008 and such sums as necessary for fiscal year 2009 for the Eurasia Foundation. It also requires the Foundation to submit an annual report for the preceding year to the President for transmittal for Congress.

### **COST**

CBO has not scored this legislation.

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