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## [H.R. 1670, the National POW/MIA Remembrance Act of 2015](#)

### FLOOR SITUATION

On Monday, March 21, 2016, the House will consider [H.R. 1670](#), the National POW/MIA Remembrance Act of 2015, under suspension of the rules. H.R. 1670 was introduced on March 26, 2015 by Rep. Stephen Lynch (D-MA) and was referred to the Committee on House Administration, which ordered the bill reported by voice vote on December 2, 2015.

### SUMMARY

H.R. 1670 directs the Architect of the Capitol to place a commemorative chair, paid for by private donations, in the United States Capitol to honor American Prisoners of War/Missing in Action.

### BACKGROUND

A veterans' group Rolling Thunder has championed the placement of commemorative chairs honoring American Prisoners of War/Missing in Action in prominent locations across the country. Each chair represents those prisoners of war and missing in action that are unable to fill them because of their sacrifice. There are currently over 90 Rolling Thunder chapters in the United States, each sponsoring chairs in their state capitols, city halls, and sport arenas.<sup>1</sup>

### COST

The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) [estimates](#) that implementing H.R. 1670 would have no significant effect on the federal budget since the bill requires private donations to pay for all costs.

### STAFF CONTACT

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<sup>1</sup> See [House Report 114-410](#) at 1-2.