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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**  
**First Reader**

House Joint Resolution 7 (Delegates Szeliga and Nawrocki)  
Rules and Executive Nominations

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**Opposition to the People's Republic of China's Misuse of United Nations  
Resolution 2758 to Delegitimize Taiwan**

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This joint resolution urges the United Nations (UN) to oppose the misuse of Resolution 2758 to deny Taiwan's participation in UN institutions and calls on the UN Secretariat to remain neutral and stop citing the resolution to bar Taiwanese nationals and media from visiting UN buildings or covering events. Among other related provisions, it emphasizes that Resolution 2758 does not reflect a UN consensus on the status of Taiwan and reaffirms that the U.S. One China Policy differs from that of the Chinese Communist Party. The joint resolution emphasizes the U.S. interest in a peaceful resolution of cross-strait issues. The resolution reaffirms support for Taiwan's membership in international organizations that do not require statehood and encourages broader international participation, as specified.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** The joint resolution does not directly affect State finances.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Additional Comments:** As noted in the preamble, UN General Assembly Resolution 2758, which passed on October 25, 1971, recognized the People's Republic of China (PRC) as the representative of the member state "China" in the UN.

The U.S. One China Policy, which recognizes PRC as the sole legal government of China, does not recognize Chinese sovereignty over Taiwan. Instead, it only *acknowledges* the Chinese position that Taiwan is a part of China.

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### **Additional Information**

**Recent Prior Introductions:** Similar legislation has not been introduced within the last three years.

**Designated Cross File:** None.

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