

By Representative Lippman

1 House Memorial

2 A memorial to the President and Congress of the
3 United States, urging the President and
4 Congress to seek certain commitments from the
5 governments of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech
6 Republic regarding payment of insurance
7 benefits owed by the state-owned insurance
8 companies of these countries to victims of the
9 Nazis and to the beneficiaries and heirs of
10 these victims.

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12 WHEREAS, the issue of insurance benefits owed by the
13 state-owned insurance companies of Poland, Hungary, and the
14 Czech Republic to victims of the Nazis and to the
15 beneficiaries and heirs of these victims should be raised with
16 these governments as a result of the actions taken by their
17 Communist predecessor regimes in nationalizing foreign
18 insurance companies and confiscating their assets in the
19 aftermath of World War II, and

20 WHEREAS, a commitment should be sought from the
21 governments of these countries to provide a full accounting of
22 the total value of insurance company assets that were seized
23 by their Communist predecessor regimes and to share all
24 documents relevant to unpaid insurance claims that are in
25 their possession, and

26 WHEREAS, a commitment should be sought from the
27 governments of these countries to contribute to the payment of
28 these unpaid insurance claims in an amount that reflects the
29 present value of the assets seized by their Communist
30 predecessor regimes and for which no compensation had
31 previously been paid, NOW, THEREFORE,

1 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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4 are requested to seek commitments from the governments of
5 Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic regarding payment of
7 of these countries to victims of the Nazis and to the
8 beneficiaries and heirs of these victims, and in particular to
10 seized by their Communist predecessor regimes, to share all
11 documents in their possession relevant to these unpaid
13 unpaid insurance claims.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
16 President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the
17 United States House of Representatives, and to each member of

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