

# *Cuban Parliament Session Opens with the Participation of President Raul Castro*

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Havana, March 29 (RHC)-- Cuban President Raul Castro is attending the First Extraordinary Session of the National Assembly, which will discuss and vote on a new Foreign Investment Law. Also attending the session are Communist Party, state and government officials.

The legislative session is wrapping up a far-reaching and detailed process of analysis of the new bill, which is considered of crucial importance for the country, since it aims at bringing foreign capital to favor economic development, while protecting national sovereignty and natural resources.

Prior to this plenary session, lawmakers debated the bill and contributed their criteria and suggestions during working sessions held in all Cuban provinces. Those debates were attended by experts on the issue, as well as provincial and municipal government officials.

The draft law was again discussed yesterday, Friday, by the parliament's commissions on Economic and Constitutional and Legal issues to prepare the final report in plenary session to the National Assembly on Saturday.

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