

HR 3145

Trans-Atlantic Religious Protection Act (TARPA) of 2001

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 16, 2001
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Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 29, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Trans-Atlantic Religious Protection Act (TARPA) of 2001 - Directs the President and the Secretary of State to raise violations of freedom of thought, conscience, religion, or belief at every level (including at international meetings) with representatives of European countries that have failed to implement their international commitments and obligations with respect to such freedoms.

Directs the Secretary of State to: (1) promote educational and cultural workshops and forums among academies, religious leaders, and human rights organizations in the United States and in Europe in an effort to promote a better understanding of religious and philosophical diversity and a tolerant society; (2) train U.S. human rights monitors stationed at European posts to identify, investigate, and monitor persecution and discrimination on the basis of religion or belief; and (3) issue travel advisories on countries which discriminate on the basis of religion or belief advising Americans of potential dangers faced by individuals who are members of targeted groups. Authorizes the Secretary of State not to issue a visa to, and requires the Attorney General to exclude from the United States, any alien who is a high-ranking official of a government which is in violation of international obligations to guarantee such freedoms.

Directs the U.S. Trade Representative to impose certain trade sanctions against European countries that engage in or tolerate violations of religious freedom.

Directs the Secretary of Commerce to incorporate into International Trade Administration programs guidelines and warnings regarding discriminatory practices of European countries against U.S. products or businesses on the basis of religion.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 27, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims.
- **Oct 29, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.
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