

## HR 3895

Ten Commandments Defense Act of 2002

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution. (Mar 18, 2002)

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 18, 2002

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Mar 7, 2002)

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Ten Commandments Defense Act of 2002 - Declares reserved to the States the power to display the Ten Commandments on State or local government property.

Declares that expressions of religious faith by individual persons upon State property are: (1) protected against Federal laws or regulations respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise of religion; and (2) among those liberties of which no State may deprive any person without due process of law made in pursuance of powers reserved to the States.

Requires the courts established by the Congress to exercise judicial power in accordance with such declarations.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 18, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
- **Mar 7, 2002:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 7, 2002:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 7, 2002:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.