

## HR 4979

Peace Corps Charter for the 21st Century Act

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 20, 2002

### Subjects & Policy Tags

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International Affairs

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Jun 20, 2002)

Peace Corps Charter for the 21st Century Act - Amends the Peace Corps Act to require all recruiting of volunteers to be undertaken solely by the Peace Corps. Conditions the President's authority to detail or assign Peace Corps volunteers to certain Federal and State agencies and other entities upon a determination that such a detail or assignment does not contradict the standing of such volunteers as being independent from foreign policy-making and intelligence collection. Requires the Director of the Peace Corps, before implementing any new initiative, to consult with the Peace Corps National Advisory Council and to report to Congress on: (1) the initiative's objectives and costs, and any impact it may have on existing programs and the safety of volunteers; (2) the status of security procedures in any country in which the Peace Corps operates programs or is considering doing so; (3) student loan forgiveness programs currently available to Peace Corps volunteers; and (4) initiatives the Peace Corps intends to pursue in order to solicit requests from eligible countries where the presence of volunteers would facilitate a greater understanding of the world and of diverse cultures and systems of government, including peoples from countries with substantial Muslim populations.

Requires the Director to develop a training program for all Peace Corps volunteers in the education, prevention, and treatment of infectious diseases.

Increases Peace Corps volunteer readjustment allowances to \$200 a month.

Establishes a program to award grants to private nonprofit corporations in the District of Columbia to serve as incubators for returned Peace Corps volunteers seeking to use their knowledge and expertise to undertake community-based projects.

### Actions Timeline

- **Jun 21, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H3778-3779)
- **Jun 20, 2002:** Introduced in House
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