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SOLIDARIDAD Act of 2001

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Sponsor

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Sen. Shelby, Richard C. [R-AL]	R · AL		May 16, 2001
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Sen. Smith, Gordon H. [R-OR]	R · OR		May 16, 2001
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Cuban Solidarity Act of 2001 (or SOLIDARIDAD Act of 2001) - Earmarks each fiscal year a specified amount of development assistance and economic support funds for individuals and independent nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) to support democracy-building efforts for Cuba, including assistance to victims of political repression there. Establishes an information and resource center within the U.S. Interests Section in Havana, Cuba, for use by independent NGO representatives or other eligible persons.

Authorizes the President to license on a case-by-case basis: (1) the importation of handicrafts or other hand-made goods produced by independent, self-employed Cubans; and (2) the remittance of up to \$1,000 each quarter by a U.S. person or group to any Cuban to support microenterprise activities of independent, self-employed Cubans, or independent NGO activities.

Urges the President to take specified measures to support the transition to democracy in Cuba.

Amends the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to require the President to withhold for a fiscal year from assistance provided to an independent state of the former Soviet Union an amount equal to the amount of assistance and credits, if any, provided for the preceding fiscal year by such state in support of intelligence facilities in Cuba, including the intelligence facility at Lourdes, Cuba.

Urges the Secretary of State to authorize the travel and contacts of Cuban diplomatic personnel in the United States on a strictly reciprocal basis, taking into account Cuban restrictions against U.S. diplomatic personnel meeting with Cuban government officials.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **May 16, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 16, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5007-5008)
- **May 16, 2001:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.