

HRES 132

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruling in *Newdow v. United States Congress* is inconsistent with the Supreme Court's interpretation of the first amendment and should be overturned, and for other purposes.

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Chamber: House

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Rep. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA-6]	R · GA		Mar 6, 2003
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Rep. Ney, Robert W. [R-OH-18]	R · OH		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Northup, Anne M. [R-KY-3]	R · KY		Mar 6, 2003
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Rep. Oxley, Michael G. [R-OH-4]	R · OH		Mar 6, 2003
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Rep. Renzi, Rick [R-AZ-1]	R · AZ		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Rogers, Mike D. [R-AL-3]	R · AL		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Sensenbrenner, F. James, Jr. [R-WI-5]	R · WI		Mar 6, 2003
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Rep. Stearns, Cliff [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Sweeney, John E. [R-NY-20]	R · NY		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Walsh, James T. [R-NY-25]	R · NY		Mar 6, 2003
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Rep. Baker, Richard H. [R-LA-6]	R · LA		Mar 12, 2003

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Rep. Rogers, Mike J. [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Mar 18, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Discharged from	Mar 7, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced in the House on March 6, 2003. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that: (1) the phrase "one Nation, under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag reflects that religious faith was central to the Founding Fathers and to the founding of the Nation; (2) reciting the Pledge, including that phrase, is a patriotic act, not an act or statement of religious faith or belief; (3) that phrase should remain in the Pledge and the practice of voluntarily reciting the pledge in public school classrooms should be encouraged by the policies of Congress, the various States, municipalities, and public school officials; and (4) the Elk Grove Unified School District in Elk Grove, California, should be commended for its continued support of the Pledge.

Declares that: (1) the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruling in *Newdow v. United States Congress* (which held that the inclusion of that phrase in the Pledge unconstitutionally endorses religion) is inconsistent with the Supreme Court's interpretation of the First Amendment; (2) the Attorney General should appeal, and the Supreme Court should review, that ruling; and (3) the President should nominate, and the Senate should confirm, Federal circuit court judges who interpret the Constitution consistent with the Constitution's text.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 20, 2003:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H2137)
- **Mar 20, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 400 - 7, 15 Present (Roll no. 77).(text: CR 3/19/2003 H1976-1977)
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- **Mar 20, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 19, 2003:** Mr. Sensenbrenner moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution.
- **Mar 19, 2003:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1976-1981)
- **Mar 19, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Res. 132.
- **Mar 19, 2003:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Mar 18, 2003:** Reported by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 108-41.
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- **Mar 18, 2003:** Placed on the House Calendar, Calendar No. 13.
- **Mar 12, 2003:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 12, 2003:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 22 - 2.
- **Mar 7, 2003:** Subcommittee on the Constitution Discharged.
- **Mar 6, 2003:** Introduced in House
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- **Mar 6, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Mar 6, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.