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HCONRES 457

Expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the murders of James E. Chaney, Michael Schwerner, and Andrew Goodman.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 28, 2004

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Calls on the Department of Justice to investigate the murders of James Chaney, Michael Schwerner, and Andrew Goodman (volunteers for "Freedom Summer," a project dedicated to helping African Americans in Mississippi earn equal rights) in 1964. Calls on Attorney General John Ashcroft to: (1) formally offer the Attorney General of Mississippi the Department's services to review the case file and serve as special prosecutor in a new trial; and (2) report to Congress the findings of the Department's investigation.

Actions Timeline

- Jun 28, 2004: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
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- Jun 18, 2004: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.