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# **HRES 563**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the one-year anniversary of the human rights crackdown in Cuba.

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs **Introduced:** Mar 16, 2004

Current Status: Committee Agreed to Seek Consideration Under Suspension of the Rules, by Voice Vote.

Latest Action: Committee Agreed to Seek Consideration Under Suspension of the Rules, by Voice Vote. (Mar 31, 2004)

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#### **Sponsor**

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Party: Republican • State: FL • Chamber: House

## Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	<b>Date Joined</b>
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Lincoln [R-FL-21]	$R \cdot FL$		Mar 16, 2004
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Mario [R-FL-25]	$R \cdot FL$		Mar 16, 2004
Rep. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ-13]	D · NJ		Mar 16, 2004
Rep. Flake, Jeff [R-AZ-6]	$R \cdot AZ$		Mar 30, 2004
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	$R \cdot NJ$		Mar 30, 2004

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2004

#### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

International Affairs

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

States that the House of Representatives: (1) condemns the repressive crackdown by the Government of Cuba against the internal opposition and the independent press, and expresses its admiration and solidarity with these groups; (2) demands that the Government of Cuba release all political prisoners, legalize all political parties, labor unions, and the press, and hold free and fair elections; (3) declares the acts of the Castro regime, including its widespread and systematic violation of human rights, to be in violation of the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; (4) declares that the rule of law for the Cuban people should guarantee each and every fundamental and inalienable right; and (5) calls for the passage of a resolution at the 60th session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights that holds the Government of Cuba accountable for its gross violations of human rights and civil liberties.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Mar 31, 2004: Committee Agreed to Seek Consideration Under Suspension of the Rules, by Voice Vote.
- Mar 16, 2004: Introduced in House
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