

HCONRES 85

Expressing the sense of the Congress with regard to the need for improved fire safety in nonresidential buildings in the aftermath of the tragic fire on February 20, 2003, at a nightclub in West Warwick, Rhode Island.

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** RI • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (11 total)

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Rep. Capuano, Michael E. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Mar 10, 2003
Rep. Delahunt, William D. [D-MA-10]	D · MA		Mar 10, 2003
Rep. Frank, Barney [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Mar 10, 2003
Rep. Kennedy, Patrick J. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Mar 10, 2003
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Mar 10, 2003
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Mar 10, 2003
Rep. Meehan, Martin T. [D-MA-5]	D · MA		Mar 10, 2003
Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Mar 10, 2003
Rep. Olver, John W. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Mar 10, 2003
Rep. Simmons, Rob [R-CT-2]	R · CT		Mar 10, 2003
Rep. Tierney, John F. [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Mar 10, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 10, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commemorations

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced in the House of Representatives on March 10, 2003. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Expresses the deepest condolences of Congress to the family members and friends who lost loved ones as a result of the tragic fire on February 20, 2003, at The Station nightclub in West Warwick, Rhode Island, and offers its hope for the quick and full recovery of those persons who were injured in the fire.

Expresses immense gratitude for the efforts of countless emergency response personnel, local, State, and Federal officials, health care providers, volunteers, businesses, and citizens who have been part of the response to this tragedy.

Urges State and local officials and the owners of entertainment facilities to examine their safety practices, fire codes, and enforcement capabilities in light of this horrific tragedy and to take all necessary action to ensure that such a tragedy never befalls any community again.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 14, 2003:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Mar 13, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Received in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S3760-3761)
- **Mar 13, 2003:** Received in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S3760-3761)
- **Mar 12, 2003:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H1751)
- **Mar 12, 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): 422 - 0 (Roll no. 55).(text of measure as introduced: CR 3/11/2003 H1701-1702)
- **Mar 12, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 12, 2003:** On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 422 - 0 (Roll no. 55). (text of measure as introduced: CR 3/11/2003 H1701-1702)
- **Mar 11, 2003:** Mr. Turner (OH) moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution.
- **Mar 11, 2003:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1701-1704)
- **Mar 11, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Con. Res. 85.
- **Mar 11, 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 10, 2003:** Introduced in House
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- **Mar 10, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on Government Reform.