

HCONRES 18

Expressing the grave concern of Congress regarding the continuing gross violations of human rights and civil liberties of the Syrian and Lebanese people by the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Reported by	Mar 2, 2005
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Discharged from	Mar 8, 2006
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 17, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 17, 2005)

Condemns the consistent pattern of gross human rights violations by the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic.

Calls on the international community to adopt a resolution at the upcoming session of the United Nations (UN) Commission on Human Rights which details the dismal human rights record of Syria.

Expresses congressional support for the Syrian people in their struggle for freedom, respect for human rights and civil liberties, democratic self-governance, and the establishment of the rule of law.

Encourages the President and the Secretary of State to assist dissidents, human rights activists, and the nonviolent democratic opposition in Syria.

Urges the adoption and pursuit of these and other policies to seek a democratic government in Syria that will: (1) bring freedom to the Syrian people; (2) cease the illegal Syrian occupation of the Lebanese Republic; (3) abandon Syrian support for terrorism; (4) not pursue development or transfer of biological, chemical, or nuclear weapons, and permit international observers to verify such assurances; and (5) live in peace and security with the international community.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 9, 2006:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 9, 2006:** Committee Agreed to Seek Consideration Under Suspension of the Rules,.
- **Mar 8, 2006:** Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations Discharged.
- **Mar 2, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations.
- **Mar 17, 2005:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H1674-1675)
- **Mar 17, 2005:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 402 - 3 (Roll no. 89).(text: CR 3/16/2005 H1529-1530)
- **Mar 17, 2005:** On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 402 - 3 (Roll no. 89). (text: CR 3/16/2005 H1529-1530)
- **Mar 17, 2005:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 17, 2005:** Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
- **Mar 16, 2005:** Mr. Smith (NJ) moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended.
- **Mar 16, 2005:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1529-1532)
- **Mar 16, 2005:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Con. Res. 18.
- **Mar 16, 2005:** 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 2, 2005:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 2, 2005:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended).
- **Jan 26, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Middle East and Central Asia.
- **Jan 6, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 6, 2005:** Referred to the House Committee on International Relations.

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