

HJRES 21

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to school prayer.

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

Introduced: Feb 16, 2005

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution. (Apr 4, 2005)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/109th-congress/house-joint-resolution/21>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Murtha, John P. [D-PA-12]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 4, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 16, 2005)

Constitutional Amendment - Declares that nothing in the Constitution shall be construed to prohibit individual prayer in public schools or to prohibit public school officials from including voluntary prayer in official school ceremonies and meetings. Prohibits the United States and the States from prescribing the content of any such prayer.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 4, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
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