

HR 235

Houses of Worship Free Speech Restoration Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Taxation

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]

Party: Republican • **State:** NC • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 4, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 4, 2005)

Houses of Worship Free Speech Restoration Act of 2005 - Amends the Internal Revenue Code to protect churches from losing their tax-exempt status because of the content, preparation, or presentation of any homily, sermon, teaching, dialectic, or other presentation made during religious services or gatherings.

Permits church leaders to express personal views on political matters or elections during regular religious services without violating campaign finance laws, as long as such views are not disseminated beyond the members and guests assembled at such services.

Actions Timeline

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