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HCONRES 280

Mourning the horrific loss of life caused by the floods and mudslides that occurred in October 2005 in Central America and Mexico and expressing the sense of Congress that the United States should do everything possible to assist the affected people and communities.

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Rep. Berman, Howard L. [D-CA-28]	D · CA	Nov 18, 2005
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Lincoln [R-FL-21]	R·FL	Nov 18, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Reported by	Nov 2, 2005
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 12, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

States that Congress: (1) mourns the horrific loss of life caused by the October 2005 floods and mudslides in Central America and Mexico, and expresses its deep condolences to the the victims' families; (2) commits to provide the necessary resources for the relief and rebuilding of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, and Mexico; (3) applauds the prompt humanitarian response by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the U.S. Armed Forces and other U.S. departments and agencies, the United Nations and other international organizations, and nongovernmental organizations; (4) recognizes the growing international relief effort; (5) urges immediate and long-term infrastructure assistance, with special emphasis on emergency preparedness; and (6) encourages the Administration and other international donors to provide immediate and long-term assistance for infrastructure reconstruction.

Expresses the sense of Congress that it should be U.S. policy: (1) to promote economic growth and improved living standards, reduce poverty, and promote democracy and the rule of law in Central America; (2) in concert with multilateral humanitarian organizations, the Organization of American States (OAS), and the Inter-American Development Bank to support the reconstruction of affected communities; (3) to expedite humanitarian relief and reconstruction efforts to mitigate the immediate and long-term threats to public health, economic development, and security in Central America; (4) to provide technical assistance to Central American governments to strengthen the disaster preparedness capacity of first responders and governmental institutions; and (5) to encourage the governments of these countries to improve disaster mitigation techniques and compliance among key societal sectors.

Actions Timeline

- Dec 12, 2005: Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
- Dec 6, 2005: Ms. Ros-Lehtinen moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended.
- Dec 6, 2005: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H11066-11068)
- Dec 6, 2005: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Con. Res. 280.
- Dec 6, 2005: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H11066-11067)
- Dec 6, 2005: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H11066-11067)
- Dec 6, 2005: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Nov 16, 2005: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Nov 16, 2005: Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- Nov 2, 2005: Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Nov 2, 2005: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Unanimous Consent.
- Nov 1, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere.
- Oct 27, 2005: Introduced in House
- Oct 27, 2005: Introduced in House
- Oct 27, 2005: Referred to the House Committee on International Relations.