

## HR 397

Tsunami Orphans and Unaccompanied Children Act of 2005

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 26, 2005

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

International Affairs

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Tsunami Orphans and Unaccompanied Children Act of 2005 - Declares it U.S. policy to take prompt and appropriate actions to assist children who are orphaned or unaccompanied as a result of the December 26, 2004, tsunamis as an important expression of humanitarian concern and U.S. traditions.

Amends the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide assistance to children who are orphaned or unaccompanied as a result of the tsunamis that occurred on December 26, 2004, in the Indian Ocean, including assistance to: (1) identify and reunify unaccompanied children; (2) provide immediate care for such children; and (3) provide for the long-term needs of children not reunified with immediate family.

Establishes a program monitoring system.

### **Actions Timeline**

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