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SRES 44

A resolution celebrating Black History Month.

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Chamber: Senate

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]

Party: Republican • State: TN • Chamber: Senate

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| Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ] | D · NJ | | Feb 15, 2005 |
| Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR] | D · AR | | Feb 15, 2005 |
| Sen. Stevens, Ted [R-AK] | $R \cdot AK$ | | Feb 15, 2005 |
| Sen. Allard, Wayne [R-CO] | R · CO | | Feb 16, 2005 |
| Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA] | D · WA | | Feb 16, 2005 |
| Sen. McConnell, Mitch [R-KY] | $R \cdot KY$ | | Feb 16, 2005 |
| Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV] | D · NV | | Feb 16, 2005 |
| Sen. Talent, Jim [R-MO] | $R \cdot MO$ | | Feb 16, 2005 |
| Sen. Allen, George [R-VA] | $R \cdot VA$ | | Feb 17, 2005 |
| Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ] | D · NJ | | Feb 17, 2005 |
| Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE] | D · NE | | Feb 17, 2005 |
| Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI] | D · MI | | Feb 17, 2005 |
| Sen. Bunning, Jim [R-KY] | $R \cdot KY$ | | Mar 1, 2005 |
| Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH] | R · OH | | Mar 1, 2005 |
| Sen. Obama, Barack [D-IL] | D·IL | | Mar 1, 2005 |
| Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME] | R · ME | | Mar 1, 2005 |
| Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA] | R · GA | | Mar 7, 2005 |
| Sen. Kohl, Herb [D-WI] | D · WI | | Mar 7, 2005 |
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Committee Activity

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| Judiciary Committee | Senate | Referred To | Feb 8, 2005 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 109 SRES 380 | Related bill | Feb 16, 2006: Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S1447-1448; text as passed Senate: CR S1447-1448; text of measure as introduced: CR S1438-1439) |

Summary (as of Feb 8, 2005)

Celebrates Black History Month by: (1) acknowledging the tragedies of slavery, lynching, segregation, and by condemning them as an infringement on human liberty and equal opportunity so that they will stand forever as a reminder of what can happen when Americans fail to live up to their noble goals; (2) honoring those Americans who during the time of slavery, lynching, and segregation risked their lives in the underground railway and in other efforts to assist fugitive slaves and other African Americans who might have been targets and victims of lynch mobs and those who have stood beside African Americans in the fight for equal opportunity that continues to this day; (3) reaffirming the Senate's commitment to the founding principles of the United States of America that "all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness;" and (4) committing the Senate to addressing those situations in which the African American community struggles with disparities in education, health care, and other areas where the Federal Government can play a role in improving conditions for all Americans.

Actions Timeline

- Feb 8, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- Feb 8, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1139-1140)
- Feb 8, 2005: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1139)