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SRES 540

A resolution encouraging all 50 States to recognize and accommodate the release of public school pupils from school attendance to attend off-campus religious classes at their churches, synagogues, houses of worship, and faith-based organizations.

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Education
Introduced: Jul 24, 2006

Current Status: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S8132-8133)

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 24, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 SCONRES 92	Identical bill	May 2, 2006: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3902-3903)

Summary (as of Jul 24, 2006)

Calls on the states to recognize and accommodate those churches, faith-based organizations, and individuals that wish to release public school pupils from school attendance to attend religious classes.

Requests the President to proclaim the third week of November 2006 as Bible Education in School Time Week.

Actions Timeline
• Jul 24, 2006: Introduced in Senate
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