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HCONRES 81

Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the two-year anniversary of the human rights crackdown in Cuba.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: International Affairs

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Mar 9, 2005
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 28, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

Condemns the arrest of more than 75 journalists, labor union organizers, civic leaders, librarians, and human rights activists as political prisoners in March 2003, and the Cuban regime's continuing crackdown against the internal opposition and the independent press.

Expresses admiration and solidarity with the Cuban internal opposition and independent press.

Demands that the Cuban regime release all political prisoners, legalize all political parties, labor unions, and the press, and hold free elections.

Declares that the acts of the Cuban regime, including its widespread and systematic violation of human rights, violate the United Nations (UN) Charter and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and that the rule of law should replace the rule of force in Cuba.

Calls for: (1) the European Union (EU), as well as other countries and international organizations, to pressure the Cuban regime to improve its human rights record; and (2) UN member countries to vote against the Cuban regime's membership in the UN Commission on Human Rights, and for passage of a Commission resolution that holds the Cuban regime accountable for its gross violations of human rights and civil liberties.

Actions Timeline

- Apr 28, 2005: Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
- Apr 27, 2005: Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H2577-2578)
- Apr 27, 2005: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 398 27, 2 Present (Roll no. 137).(text: CR 4/26/2005 H2503)
- Apr 27, 2005: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 398 27, 2 Present (Roll no. 137). (text: CR 4/26/2005 H2503)
- Apr 27, 2005: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Apr 26, 2005: Mr. Smith (NJ) moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution.
- Apr 26, 2005: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2503-2506)
- Apr 26, 2005: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Con. Res. 81.
- Apr 26, 2005: At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- Mar 9, 2005: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Mar 2, 2005: Introduced in House
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