

HR 1681

American National Red Cross Governance Modernization Act of 2007

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Ackerman, Gary L. [D-NY-5]	D · NY		Mar 26, 2007
Rep. Flake, Jeff [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Mar 26, 2007
Rep. Jackson-Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Mar 26, 2007
Rep. Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Mar 26, 2007
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Mar 26, 2007
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-13]	D · NJ		Mar 26, 2007
Rep. Wexler, Robert [D-FL-19]	D · FL		Mar 26, 2007
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Mar 28, 2007
Rep. Gordon, Bart [D-TN-6]	D · TN		Mar 30, 2007
Rep. McHugh, John M. [R-NY-23]	R · NY		Apr 16, 2007

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Reported By	Apr 16, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 655	Related bill	Mar 16, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on April 23, 2007. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

American National Red Cross Governance Modernization Act of 2007 - (Sec. 2) Expresses the sense of Congress that: (1) charitable organizations are an indispensable part of American society; (2) such organizations must maintain the trust of the American public by fostering effective governance and transparency; (3) the American National Red Cross (ANRC) is and will remain a federally chartered instrumentality of the United States; and (4) the ANRC should maintain appropriate communications with state regulators of charitable organizations and cooperate with such regulators.

(Sec. 3) Amends the charter of the ANRC to designate the ANRC as a federally chartered instrumentality of the United States and authorize it to conduct its business and affairs as the American Red Cross in any jurisdiction and to conduct other activities consistent with its traditional purposes.

(Sec. 5) Authorizes the ANRC corporation (corporation), rather than its board of directors, to prescribe policies and regulations relating to ANRC chapters. Provides for the selection of delegates to the annual meeting of the ANRC, instead of its national convention.

(Sec. 6) Modifies provisions relating to the ANRC board of governors to restate the role of the board as the governing body of the corporation and to revise provisions relating to its size, composition, and relationship with management. Establishes an Advisory Council to advise, report to, and meet with the board of governors.

(Sec. 7) Authorizes the corporation to adopt policies in lieu of bylaws.

(Sec. 8) Defines the annual meeting of the corporation as the annual meeting of the delegates of the chapters (instead of the national convention). Designates the time and place of the annual meeting and determines the voting guidelines and requirements for such meeting.

(Sec. 9) Eliminates the requirement that the number of trustees overseeing the ANRC endowment fund be nine. Grants the corporation, rather than the board of governors, the authority to prescribe policies and regulations on terms and tenure of office, accountability, and expenses of the board of trustees.

(Sec. 10) Requires the corporation to submit a report to the Secretary of Defense on the activities of the corporation during the preceding fiscal year, including a complete, itemized report of all receipts and expenditures.

(Sec. 11) Authorizes the Comptroller General to review the corporation's involvement in any federal program or activity.

Requires the corporation to establish an Office of the Ombudsman. Requires such Office to submit an annual report to specified congressional committees on trends and systemic matters that the Office has identified as confronting the corporation.

Actions Timeline

- **May 11, 2007:** Signed by President.
- **May 11, 2007:** Became Public Law No: 110-26.
- **May 1, 2007:** Presented to President.
- **Apr 24, 2007:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Apr 23, 2007:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S4863-4864)
- **Apr 23, 2007:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S4863-4864)
- **Apr 23, 2007:** Cleared for White House.
- **Apr 18, 2007:** Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 119.
- **Apr 17, 2007:** Mr. Lantos moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Apr 17, 2007:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3429-3432)
- **Apr 17, 2007:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1681.
- **Apr 17, 2007:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H3429-3431)
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- **Apr 17, 2007:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 16, 2007:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Foreign Affairs. H. Rept. 110-87.
- **Apr 16, 2007:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 52.
- **Mar 27, 2007:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 27, 2007:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 26, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 26, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.