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S 3457

Support for Democracy and Human Rights in Ethiopia Act of 2008

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: International Affairs

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Sponsor

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Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	$D \cdot VT$		Sep 9, 2008

Committee Activity

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Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 9, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Support for Democracy and Human Rights in Ethiopia Act of 2008 - States that the President should take additional steps to support the implementation of democracy and governance institutions and organizations in Ethiopia consistent with the Ethiopian Constitution of 1994 and related national law, including: (1) support of democracy development; (2) promotion of judicial independence; (3) support of human rights programs, especially regarding women and minorities; (4) expansion of the Voice of America (VOA) and other independent media; (5) support of international efforts to gain full access to the Ogaden and other conflict-affected regions; and (6) support of a United Nations Special Envoy to launch a dialogue to bring about the normalization of relations between Ethiopia and Eritrea and who works with both governments to address issues of stability both along their border as well as more broadly across the Horn of Africa, including in Somalia.

Authorizes appropriations.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 9, 2008: Introduced in Senate
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