

## HCONRES 388

Expressing the sense of Congress that the Department of Defense and the Federal Voting Assistance Program should take certain additional and timely measures to ensure that members of the Armed Forces and their dependents and citizens living overseas are provided with reasonable information on how to register to vote and vote in the 2008 general elections.

**Congress:** 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Armed Forces and National Security

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (Oct 2, 2008)

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Rep. Hunter, Duncan [R-CA-52]	R · CA		Jul 8, 2008
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Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Jul 9, 2008
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Rep. Hastings, Doc [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Jul 22, 2008
Rep. Dreier, David [R-CA-26]	R · CA		Jul 24, 2008
Rep. Dent, Charles W. [R-PA-15]	R · PA		Jul 31, 2008
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Rep. Hoyer, Steny H. [D-MD-5]	D · MD		Sep 11, 2008
Rep. Marshall, Jim [D-GA-8]	D · GA		Sep 11, 2008
Rep. Forbes, J. Randy [R-VA-4]	R · VA		Sep 15, 2008
Rep. Kline, John [R-MN-2]	R · MN		Sep 15, 2008
Rep. Herger, Wally [R-CA-2]	R · CA		Sep 17, 2008

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 25, 2008
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	Jul 8, 2008
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 2, 2008

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Sep 17, 2008)

Declares the sense of Congress that: (1) the Secretary of Defense and the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) should inform members of the Armed Forces and their eligible dependents, with monthly electronic reminders, about opportunities to register to vote and to request absentee ballots for the 2008 elections; (2) state and local election officials should work with the FVAP to develop methods for obtaining updated addresses and contact information, if possible, for any such individuals, and any citizens living overseas, with undeliverable ballot addresses; and (3) the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness should report to specified congressional committees on all related efforts.

Expresses the sense of Congress about related duties of states and local jurisdictions.

Urges the Department of Defense, the FVAP, the Election Assistance Commission (EAC), and state governments to examine recommendations in the EAC September 2007 survey findings regarding the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act.

## Actions Timeline

- **Oct 2, 2008:** Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
- **Sep 22, 2008:** Received in the Senate.
- **Sep 17, 2008:** Mrs. Davis (CA) moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended.
- **Sep 17, 2008:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H8371-8373)
- **Sep 17, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Con. Res. 388.
- **Sep 17, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H8371-8372)
- **Sep 17, 2008:** On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H8371-8372)
- **Sep 17, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 17, 2008:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 25, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Jul 8, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 8, 2008:** Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.