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Afghan Women Empowerment Act of 2009

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (Jan 13, 2009)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 13, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 2214	Related bill	Apr 30, 2009: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Summary (as of Jan 13, 2009)

Afghan Women Empowerment Act of 2009 - Expresses the sense of Congress that the protection of the rights of women and girls in Afghanistan and their full participation in the reestablishment of democracy are essential to Afghanistan's reconstruction, and to achieve such reconstruction the U.S. government must commit resources to advance the rights of women throughout Afghanistan.

Amends the Afghanistan Freedom Support Act of 2002 to revise the provisions respecting assistance to women and girls in Afghanistan. Extends funding authority.

Expresses the sense of Congress that the President should: (1) condition the provision of such assistance on the recipient adhering to international standards for women's rights and human rights; and (2) ensure that Afghan women-led nongovernmental organizations with demonstrated experience in delivering services to Afghan women and children receive grants without ethnic, religious, or any other discrimination.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 13, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
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