

HR 3714

Daniel Pearl Freedom of the Press Act of 2009

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: International Affairs

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-29]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Pence, Mike [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Oct 1, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 1, 2009
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Apr 29, 2010

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 1739	Related bill	Dec 18, 2009: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 246.
111 HR 2410	Related bill	Jun 22, 2009: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the House on December 16, 2009. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Daniel Pearl Freedom of the Press Act of 2009 - Amends the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to expand the annual Country Reports on Human Rights Practices to include: (1) a description of the status of freedom of the press in each country reviewed in the report; (2) identification of countries in which there were violations of freedom of the press; and (3) in countries where there are particularly severe violations of freedom of the press, whether such governments participate in or condone such violations and the actions such governments have taken to preserve the safety and independence of the media and ensure the prosecution of individuals who attack or murder journalists.

Actions Timeline

- **May 17, 2010:** Signed by President.
- **May 17, 2010:** Became Public Law No: 111-166.
- **May 6, 2010:** Presented to President.
- **Apr 30, 2010:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Apr 29, 2010:** Senate Committee on Foreign Relations discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S2981)
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- **Apr 29, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 29, 2010:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 29, 2010:** Cleared for White House.
- **Dec 17, 2009:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
- **Dec 16, 2009:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H15431)
- **Dec 16, 2009:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by recorded vote (2/3 required): 403 - 12 (Roll no. 989).(text: CR 12/15/2009 H14916-14917)
- **Dec 16, 2009:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by recorded vote (2/3 required): 403 - 12 (Roll no. 989). (text: CR 12/15/2009 H14916-14917)
- **Dec 16, 2009:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 16, 2009:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 15, 2009:** Mr. Berman moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Dec 15, 2009:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H14916-14921)
- **Dec 15, 2009:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3714.
- **Dec 15, 2009:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Berman objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was withdrawn.
- **Oct 1, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 1, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.