

## S 3757

### Support for Democracy and Human Rights in Ethiopia Act of 2010

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## Committee Activity

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Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Aug 5, 2010

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

International Affairs

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Support for Democracy and Human Rights in Ethiopia Act of 2010 - Prohibits assistance to the government of Ethiopia unless the Secretary of State certifies annually that the government of Ethiopia has taken steps to: (1) ensure the freedoms of civil society organizations to pursue work on civic education, democratization, human rights, and conflict resolution; (2) respect the rights of and permit nonviolent political parties to operate free from intimidation, including releasing imprisoned opposition political leaders; (3) strengthen judicial independence; (4) allow Voice of America (VOA) and other independent media to operate without interference; (5) promote respect for human rights within its security forces, including investigating allegations of abuse; and (6) ensure that humanitarian and development entities have access to all regions of the country.

Authorizes the Secretary, with a certification to Congress, to waive the prohibition if in the U.S. national security interest.

States that the prohibition shall not apply to: (1) health and HIV/AIDS assistance; (2) humanitarian assistance; or (3) emergency food aid.

## **Actions Timeline**

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