

## HR 4025

To provide for justice and compensation for United States citizens taken hostage by Iran, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Law

**Introduced:** Nov 4, 2009

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law. (Jan 4, 2010)

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### Sponsor

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### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 4, 2009
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 4, 2010

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Law

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

States that: (1) it is U.S. policy to seek justice for U.S. victims of terrorism and to hold terrorists and their state-sponsors accountable for their actions; and (2) U.S. law regarding victims of terrorism supersedes the Algiers Accords and any other agreement with Iran stemming from the holding of U.S. hostages in Iran from November 1979 through January 1981.

Abrogates and deems not applicable any provision of the Algiers Accords, entered into with Iran on January 19, 1981, that purports to prohibit a U.S. citizen from prosecuting any claim relating to such hostage taking in any U.S. court or to limit the jurisdiction of any U.S. court with respect to such matter.

Requires the President to direct payments as provided for by this Act to a common fund to be established and administered by certified class representatives for U.S. citizens who were hostages in Iran.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jan 4, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.
- **Nov 4, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 4, 2009:** Referred to House Judiciary
- **Nov 4, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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.
- **Nov 4, 2009:** Referred to House Foreign Affairs