

HJRES 42

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to parental rights.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Families

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Rep. Austria, Steve [R-OH-7]	R · OH		Oct 29, 2009
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Rep. Bono Mack, Mary [R-CA-45]	R · CA		Nov 7, 2009

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 27, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Families

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 SJRES 16	Related bill	May 14, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
111 SJRES 13	Identical bill	Mar 3, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Mar 31, 2009)

Constitutional Amendment - States that the liberty of parents to direct the upbringing and education of their children is a fundamental right.

States that neither the United States nor any state shall infringe upon this right without demonstrating that its governmental interest as applied to the person is of the highest order and not otherwise served.

Provides that no treaty may be adopted nor shall any source of international law be employed to supersede, modify, interpret, or apply to the rights guaranteed by this amendment.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 27, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- **Mar 31, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 31, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary

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