

## HR 2589

Antiboycott Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

**Introduced:** Jul 19, 2011

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia .

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia . (Oct 25, 2011)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Berman, Howard L. [D-CA-28]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 25, 2011

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

International Affairs

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 2004	Related bill	<b>Jun 20, 2011:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and Procurement Reform .

### Summary (as of Jul 19, 2011)

Antiboycott Act - States that: (1) the Arab League boycott of Israel and the secondary boycott of U.S. firms that have commercial ties with Israel are an impediment to economic development and peace in the Middle East and North Africa; and (2) the President, the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of Commerce should seek an end to the Arab League boycott of Israel.

Directs the Secretary of Commerce to issue regulations prohibiting, with specified exceptions, any U.S. person from taking specified actions that support any boycott imposed by a foreign country against a country that is friendly to the United States and is not itself the object of any form of boycott pursuant to United States law or regulation.

Sets forth criminal and civil penalties for violations of such regulations.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Oct 25, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia .
- **Jul 19, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 19, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1361)
- **Jul 19, 2011:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.