

## HRES 296

Expressing support for peaceful demonstrations and universal freedoms in Syria and condemning the human rights violations by the Assad Regime.

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 2, 2011
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## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

International Affairs

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 SRES 180	Related bill	May 11, 2011: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2890-2891)

### Summary (as of Jun 3, 2011)

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Supports the people of Syria as they seek to exercise universal rights and pursue peaceful democratic change.

Condemns the human rights abuses of the government of Syria, including the use of lethal violence, torture, mass arrests, and the cut-off of basic services.

Condemns the government of Iran for assisting the government of Syria in its campaign of repression against the Syrian people.

Warns that the government of Syria is committing international crimes against its people.

Finds that the government of Syria, led by Bashar al-Assad, has lost legitimacy and expresses support for the people of Syria to determine their future for themselves.

Encourages U.S. officials to engage with civil society in Syria.

Urges the President to: (1) speak out directly to the people of Syria; (2) in conjunction with international partners, ensure access of humanitarian relief organizations and international media to affected areas of Syria and to impose consequences on the government of Syria and its leaders if access by these organizations continues to be impeded; and (3) work with our allies and partners at the U.N. Security Council to hold accountable human rights abusers in Syria and to support the human rights of the Syrian people.

Urges the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) to: (1) implement UNHRC Resolution S-16/1 and to ensure that the investigation into violations by the government of Syria of international human rights law is undertaken immediately, and (2) reinforce the need for the U.N. General Assembly to reject Syria's candidacy for UNHRC membership.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Aug 2, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights.
- **Aug 2, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia .
- **Jun 3, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 3, 2011:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.