

## SRES 154

A resolution calling for free and fair elections in Iran, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

**Introduced:** May 23, 2013

**Current Status:** Resolution agreed to in Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title and an amended preamble

**Latest Action:** Resolution agreed to in Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title and an amended preamble by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S4495) (Jun 13, 2013)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/113th-congress/senate-resolution/154>

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| Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]     | R · SC        |      | Jun 10, 2013 |
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| Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]     | R · GA        |      | Jun 10, 2013 |
| Sen. Kirk, Mark Steven [R-IL]   | R · IL        |      | Jun 10, 2013 |
| Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]        | R · AZ        |      | Jun 10, 2013 |
| Sen. McConnell, Mitch [R-KY]    | R · KY        |      | Jun 10, 2013 |
| Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]        | R · OH        |      | Jun 10, 2013 |
| Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]     | R · ID        |      | Jun 10, 2013 |
| Sen. Scott, Tim [R-SC]          | R · SC        |      | Jun 10, 2013 |
| Sen. Sessions, Jeff [R-AL]      | R · AL        |      | Jun 10, 2013 |
| Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]         | R · SD        |      | Jun 10, 2013 |
| Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]    | R · MS        |      | Jun 10, 2013 |
| Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]          | D · OR        |      | Jun 10, 2013 |
| Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD] | D · MD        |      | Jun 11, 2013 |
| Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]  | D · IL        |      | Jun 11, 2013 |
| Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]        | R · FL        |      | Jun 11, 2013 |
| Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]        | R · KS        |      | Jun 12, 2013 |
| Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]        | D · FL        |      | Jun 12, 2013 |
| Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]        | D · AK        |      | Jun 13, 2013 |

## Committee Activity

| Committee                   | Chamber | Activity        | Date         |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------|--------------|
| Foreign Relations Committee | Senate  | Discharged From | Jun 13, 2013 |

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

International Affairs

## Related Bills

| Bill         | Relationship | Last Action  |
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| 113 HRES 252 | Related bill | Jun 6, 2013: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. |

## Summary (as of Jun 13, 2013)

Recalls Senate Resolution 386, 112th Congress, which called for free and fair elections in Iran.

Reaffirms the U.S. commitment to democracy, human rights, civil liberties, and the rule of law, including the universal rights of freedom of assembly, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and freedom of association.

Supports: (1) freedom, human rights, civil liberties, free elections, and rule of law in Iran; and (2) the people of Iran in their peaceful calls for a democratic government.

Condemns the widespread human rights violations of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Calls on the Islamic Republic of Iran to: (1) hold free and fair elections; (2) end arbitrary detention, torture, and other forms of harassment against media professionals, human rights defenders, and opposition figures; (3) lift legislative restrictions on freedom of assembly, association, and expression; (4) allow the Internet to remain free and open; and (5) allow international election monitors to be present for the June 14, 2013, election.

Urges the President, the Secretary of State, and other world leaders to: (1) support the rights and freedoms of the people of Iran, including the right to democratic self-government; (2) support policies that preserve open access to the Internet in Iran; and (3) condemn elections that are not free and fair and do not meet international standards.

## Actions Timeline

- **Jun 13, 2013:** Senate Committee on Foreign Relations discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jun 13, 2013:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S4494-4495)
- **Jun 13, 2013:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Resolution agreed to in Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title and an amended preamble by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S4495)
- **Jun 13, 2013:** Resolution agreed to in Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title and an amended preamble by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S4495)
- **May 23, 2013:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 23, 2013:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3864)