

## HRES 139

Condemning violence against religious minorities in the Middle East and any actions that limit the free expression and practice of faith by these minorities.

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 20, 2015
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## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

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## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Mar 3, 2015)

Condemns violence against religious minorities in the Middle East and actions that limit their practice of faith.

Reaffirms the commitment of the United States to promoting religious freedom around the world and protecting religious minorities facing persecution.

Calls on the governments of the Middle East to uphold the internationally recognized human right to freedom from religious persecution and to end violence and discrimination against religious minorities.

Urges the Obama Administration to appoint a Special Envoy to Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia.

## Actions Timeline

- **Mar 20, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights and International Organizations.
- **Mar 20, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Middle East and North Africa.
- **Mar 3, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 3, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.