

## HJRES 45

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims.

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Apr 16, 2015

**Current Status:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.

**Latest Action:** Subcommittee Hearings Held. (May 1, 2015)

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### Sponsor

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| Rep. McSally, Martha [R-AZ-2]   | R · AZ        |      | Jun 16, 2015 |
| Rep. King, Steve [R-IA-4]       | R · IA        |      | Jul 29, 2015 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee           | Chamber | Activity                   | Date        |
|---------------------|---------|----------------------------|-------------|
| Judiciary Committee | House   | Hearings By (subcommittee) | May 1, 2015 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## Constitutional Amendment

Prohibits denial or abridgement of a crime victim's rights to: (1) reasonable notice of, and inclusion in, public proceedings relating to the offense; (2) be heard at any release, plea, sentencing, or other proceeding involving any right established under this amendment; (3) proceedings free from unreasonable delay; (4) reasonable notice of the release or escape of the accused; (5) due consideration of the crime victim's safety, dignity, and privacy; and (6) restitution.

Grants the crime victim, or the victim's lawful representative, standing to assert and enforce such rights.

Subjects review of the denial of any right established by this amendment, which may include interlocutory relief, to the standards of ordinary appellate review.

## Actions Timeline

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- **May 1, 2015:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Apr 17, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Apr 16, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 16, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.