

## HRES 128

Supporting respect for human rights and encouraging inclusive governance in Ethiopia.

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

**Introduced:** Feb 15, 2017

**Current Status:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

**Latest Action:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection. (Apr 10, 2018)

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	May 18, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

International Affairs

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 SRES 168	Related bill	<b>Sep 19, 2017:</b> Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 226.

Recognizes: (1) Ethiopia's efforts to promote regional peace and security; and (2) the importance of the U.S.-Ethiopian partnership in combatting terrorism, promoting economic growth, and addressing global health challenges.

Condemns the use of excessive force by Ethiopian security forces and notes the reports of widespread human rights abuses.

Commends the recent peaceful and voluntary transfer of authority from Prime Minister Hailemariam to Prime Minister Abiy.

Calls on the government of Ethiopia to: (1) lift the state of emergency and end the use of excessive force by the security forces; (2) release all activists, journalists, and opposition figures who have been imprisoned for exercising their constitutional rights; and (3) allow for an independent human rights examination by a U.N.-appointed rapporteur.

Calls on the Department of State and the U.S. Agency for International Development to strengthen ties with Ethiopia and engage in a cooperative effort to advance democracy, human rights, economic growth, and security.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Apr 10, 2018:** Mr. Smith (NJ) moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended.
- **Apr 10, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3069-3075)
- **Apr 10, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Res. 128.
- **Apr 10, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H3069-3070)
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- **Apr 10, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 27, 2017:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 27, 2017:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **May 18, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights and International Organizations.
- **Feb 15, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 15, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.