

## HRES 278

MOBILE Resolution

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Congress

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Rules. (Apr 25, 2017)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (2 total)

| Cosponsor                              | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
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| Rep. Crawford, Eric A. "Rick" [R-AR-1] | R · AR        |      | Apr 25, 2017 |
| Rep. Pearce, Stevan [R-NM-2]           | R · NM        |      | Apr 25, 2017 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee       | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|-----------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Rules Committee | House   | Referred To | Apr 25, 2017 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Congress

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Members Operating to Be Innovative and Link Everyone Resolution or the MOBILE Resolution**

Amends Rule XI (Procedures of Committees and Unfinished Business) of the Rules of the House of Representatives to require each committee to permit any member absent from the site of a hearing, and any other absent individual invited to participate in the hearing, to use video conferencing and related technologies in order to participate in it to the same extent as members of the committee and other individuals present at the site of the meeting.

Requires a committee to adopt a rule to count any member who participates remotely in a hearing as one of the number of members constituting a quorum at the hearing.

Amends Rule XV (Business in Order on Special Days) to require the Clerk, Chief Administrative Officer, and Sergeant at Arms to work together to develop and implement a secure remote voting system under which any member absent from the floor shall be permitted to cast a vote remotely on a motion to suspend the rules if the vote is taken by electronic device.

Requires the member to be treated as present for purposes of determining the existence of a quorum for considering the motion.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 25, 2017:** Introduced in House
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