

HR 901

MERCY Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations. (Mar 9, 2017)

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Sponsor

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

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Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Feb 7, 2017
Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Feb 7, 2017
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Feb 7, 2017
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Rep. Love, Mia B. [R-UT-4]	R · UT		Feb 7, 2017
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Feb 7, 2017
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Mar 23, 2017
Rep. Russell, Steve [R-OK-5]	R · OK		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		May 8, 2017
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Jun 2, 2017
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Jun 2, 2017
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Dec 13, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 9, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 827	Related bill	Apr 5, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
115 S 329	Identical bill	Feb 7, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Maintaining dignity and Eliminating unnecessary Restrictive Confinement of Youths Act of 2017 or the MERCY Act

This bill amends the federal criminal code to prohibit juvenile solitary confinement, except as a temporary response to behavior that poses a serious and immediate risk of harm.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 9, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Feb 7, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 7, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.