

## HR 901

### MERCY Act

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Feb 7, 2017

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

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

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/901>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]

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

### Cosponsors (12 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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
Rep. Labrador, Raul R. [R-ID-1]	R · ID		Feb 7, 2017
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	<b>Apr 5, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
115 S 329	Identical bill	<b>Feb 7, 2017:</b> 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**

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- **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.