

SRES 626

A resolution upholding the civil liberties and civil rights of Iranian Americans and condemning bigotry, violence, and discrimination.

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

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Current Status: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text: CR S3066)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** CT • **Chamber:** Senate

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 17, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HRES 1008	Identical bill	Aug 1, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Border Security, Facilitation, and Operations.

This resolution condemns bigotry and acts of violence or discrimination against Iranian Americans and others.

The resolution, among other things

- encourages U.S. elected officials to engage Iranian Americans to share their experiences with their communities to end stereotypes, correct misconceptions, and convey instances of abuse against the Iranian American community;
- calls upon law enforcement authorities to investigate and vigorously prosecute crimes committed against Americans that are based on actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, or ethnicity;
- urges the Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties in the Department of Homeland Security to conclude a thorough and timely investigation into detentions of Iranian Americans at the border; and
- calls on Customs and Border Protection to immediately halt any orders that encourage discrimination on the basis of nationality or religion, including those targeting individuals of Iranian heritage.

Actions Timeline

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