

## HRES 768

Calling on African governments to protect and promote human rights through internet freedom and digital integration for all citizens across the continent of Africa.

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Oct 1, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

International Affairs

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Dec 17, 2019)

This resolution condemns the restriction of internet access across Africa and urges African governments to employ specified measures to ensure the integrity and security of their telecommunications infrastructures. The resolution also encourages telecommunications providers and businesses operating in Africa to facilitate open and secure access to the internet.

## Actions Timeline

- **Oct 1, 2020:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Oct 1, 2020:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Dec 17, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 17, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.