

## HR 496

Ukraine Religious Freedom Support Act

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

**Introduced:** Jan 28, 2021

**Current Status:** Star Print ordered on the bill.

**Latest Action:** Star Print ordered on the bill. (May 11, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/496>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** SC • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (24 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Harris, Andy [R-MD-1]	R · MD		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33]	D · TX		Feb 11, 2021
Rep. Aderholt, Robert B. [R-AL-4]	R · AL		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. McClain, Lisa C. [R-MI-10]	R · MI		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. Meijer, Peter [R-MI-3]	R · MI		Apr 20, 2021
Rep. Perry, Scott [R-PA-10]	R · PA		Apr 20, 2021
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Apr 20, 2021
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Apr 21, 2021
Rep. Jackson, Ronny [R-TX-13]	R · TX		Apr 21, 2021
Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Dec 30, 2021
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Apr 26, 2022
Rep. Mfume, Kweisi [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Apr 26, 2022

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Budget Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 28, 2021
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Apr 21, 2021
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 28, 2022
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 5, 2021

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

International Affairs

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1310	Identical bill	<b>Apr 22, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

## Summary (as of Apr 27, 2022)

### Ukraine Religious Freedom Support Act

This bill directs the President, when determining whether Russia is a country of particular concern for religious freedom under certain federal laws, to consider incidents occurring in the parts of Ukraine that Russia (or any Russia-affiliated non-state group) occupies, controls, or recognizes as independent. (The United States may take certain actions, such as withdrawing development assistance, against a country of particular concern for religious freedom.)

## Actions Timeline

- **May 11, 2022:** Star Print ordered on the bill.
- **Apr 28, 2022:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
- **Apr 27, 2022:** Mr. Phillips moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Apr 27, 2022:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4529-4530)
- **Apr 27, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 496.
- **Apr 27, 2022:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Apr 27, 2022:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4554)
- **Apr 27, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 421 - 4 (Roll no. 129).
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- **Apr 27, 2022:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 27, 2022:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 21, 2021:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 21, 2021:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 5, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Jan 28, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 28, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.