

HRES 540

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the motivations of the members of the Texas Legislature who have fled to the Nation's capital from Texas and urging the Sergeant at Arms of the House, the United States Capitol Police, and Department of Justice to cooperate with the Texas Department of Public Safety in their efforts to return these members to Texas.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Congress

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties. (Nov 1, 2022)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Van Duyne, Beth [R-TX-24]

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

Cosponsors (15 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Rep. Babin, Brian [R-TX-36] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Cloud, Michael [R-TX-27] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Crenshaw, Dan [R-TX-2] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Fallon, Pat [R-TX-4] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Gohmert, Louie [R-TX-1] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Gooden, Lance [R-TX-5] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Jackson, Ronny [R-TX-13] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Pfluger, August [R-TX-11] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-17] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Taylor, Van [R-TX-3] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Weber, Randy K., Sr. [R-TX-14] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Williams, Roger [R-TX-25] | R · TX | | Jul 20, 2021 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Committee on House Administration | House | Referred To | Jul 20, 2021 |
| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred to | Nov 1, 2022 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Congress

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 20, 2021)

This resolution expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that (1) the claims made by the members of the Texas legislature who have fled to the nation's capital from Texas are unfounded at best and deceiving at worst, and (2) their actions have further resulted in their abandonment of their responsibilities and duty to fulfill their oath of office.

The resolution also urges the House Sergeant at Arms, the U.S. Capitol Police, and the Department of Justice to cooperate with the Texas Department of Public Safety in their efforts to return these members to Texas.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- **Jul 20, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 20, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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.