

HR 5965

To amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide for an exemption of reimbursement for certain travel to return to the United States, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

**Introduced:** Oct 17, 2023

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. (Oct 25, 2023)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/5965>

Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

| Cosponsor                       | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
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| Rep. Manning, Kathy E. [D-NC-6] | D · NC        |      | Oct 17, 2023 |

Committee Activity

| Committee                 | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Foreign Affairs Committee | House   | Referred To | Oct 25, 2023 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Oct 17, 2023)

This bill exempts private U.S. citizens and others who were evacuated from Israel following the October 2023 Hamas attacks from travel reimbursement requirements. The bill also requires the Government Accountability Office to report to Congress on any instances of airline price gouging relating to the evacuation of U.S. citizens from Israel following the October 2023 attacks.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 25, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.
- **Oct 17, 2023:** Introduced in House