

SJRES 163

A joint resolution to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities within or against the Islamic Republic of Iran that have not been authorized by Congress.

Congress: 119 (2025–2027, Current)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: International Affairs

Introduced: Apr 13, 2026

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (Apr 13, 2026)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]

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

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Apr 16, 2026
Sen. Kim, Andy [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Apr 20, 2026
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Apr 20, 2026
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Apr 30, 2026
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Apr 30, 2026
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Apr 30, 2026
Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		Apr 30, 2026

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 13, 2026

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 SJRES 184	Related bill	Apr 30, 2026: Motion to discharge Senate Committee on Foreign Relations rejected by Yea-Nay Vote. 47 - 50. Record Vote Number: 113. (consideration: CR S2156-2158)
119 SJRES 185	Related bill	Apr 27, 2026: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
119 SJRES 114	Related bill	Apr 22, 2026: Motion to discharge Senate Committee on Foreign Relations rejected by Yea-Nay Vote. 46 - 51. Record Vote Number: 88. (consideration: CR S1889-1890)
119 SJRES 161	Related bill	Apr 13, 2026: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
119 SJRES 171	Related bill	Apr 13, 2026: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
119 SJRES 180	Related bill	Apr 13, 2026: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
119 SJRES 181	Related bill	Apr 13, 2026: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
119 SJRES 183	Related bill	Apr 13, 2026: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
119 SJRES 116	Related bill	Mar 24, 2026: Motion to discharge Senate Committee on Foreign Relations rejected by Yea-Nay Vote. 47 - 53. Record Vote Number: 69.
119 SJRES 118	Related bill	Mar 18, 2026: Motion to discharge Senate Committee on Foreign Relations rejected by Yea-Nay Vote. 47 - 53. Record Vote Number: 58.
119 SJRES 115	Related bill	Mar 5, 2026: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
119 SJRES 104	Related bill	Mar 4, 2026: Motion to discharge Senate Committee on Foreign Relations rejected by Yea-Nay Vote. 47 - 53. Record Vote Number: 46. (consideration: CR S796)

Summary (as of Apr 13, 2026)

This joint resolution directs the President to remove U.S. Armed Forces from hostilities within or against Iran unless a declaration of war or authorization to use military force for such purpose has been enacted.

The resolution specifies that it shall not be construed to prevent the United States from defending against an attack on the United States or its personnel or facilities in other nations.

Actions Timeline

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