



## H.RES. 1288 – SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF NATIONAL CAMPUS SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

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### FLOOR SITUATION

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H.Res. 1288 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Joe Sestak (D-PA) on June 19, 2008. The resolution was referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor, but was never considered.

H.Res. 1288 is expected to be considered on the floor of the House on July 29, 2008.

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### SUMMARY

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H.Res. 1288 resolves that the House of Representatives:

- Supports the goals and ideals of National Campus Safety Awareness Month; and
- Encourages colleges and universities throughout the United States to provide campus safety and other crime awareness and prevention programs to all students throughout the year.

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### BACKGROUND

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According to a report required under the Jeanne Cleary Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistic Act (P.L. 89-329), between 2004 and 2006, 37 homicides, 8,114 forcible-sex offenses, 8,923 aggravated assaults, and 3,071 cases of arson were reported on college and university campuses in the U.S. Additionally, about one-fifth of female students are victims of a completed or attempted rape during their college years. These rapes and attempts are usually committed by someone familiar to the victim, and less than 5 percent of these incidents are reported to authorities.

The non-profit group, Security On Campus, has designated September as National Campus Safety Awareness Month and offers educational programs each September on topics such as sexual assault, stalking, hazing, and alcohol and drug abuse at U.S. colleges and universities nationwide.

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