



H.Res. 95 – Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives supporting the goals and ideals of Campus Fire Safety Month, and for other purposes

Floor Situation

H.Res. 95 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 Stephanie Tubbs Jones (D-OH) on January 24, 2007. The bill was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor but was never considered.

H.Res. 95 is expected to be considered by the House of Representatives on September 25, 2007.

Summary

H.Res. 95 supports the goals and ideals of Campus Fire Safety Month. The legislation encourages administrators and municipalities across the country to provide educational programs to all students during September and throughout the school year.

Additionally, H.Res. 95 encourages administrators and municipalities to evaluate the level of fire safety being provided in both on- and off-campus student housing. Also, the resolution encourages for the administrators to take the necessary steps to ensure fire-safe living environments through fire safety education, installation of fire suppression, and detection systems and the development and enforcement of applicable codes relating to fire safety.

Background

In 2006, thirty-one states issued proclamations recognizing September as Campus Fire Safety Month.

Since January 2000, at least ninety-nine people, including students, parents, and children have died in student housing fires. Over three-fourths of these deaths occurred in off-campus occupancies.

It is vital to educate the future generation of our Nation about the importance of fire safety behavior so that they can help to ensure their safety during their college years and beyond.

Cost

At the time of printing the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) had not scored this legislation.

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