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109TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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Recognizing the importance and credibility of an independent Iraqi judiciary  
in the formation of a new and democratic Iraq.

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**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Mr. BURGESS submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the  
Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION**

Recognizing the importance and credibility of an independent  
Iraqi judiciary in the formation of a new and democratic  
Iraq.

Whereas the United States is supportive of a sovereign gov-  
erning body in Iraq, including the current government as  
well as future duly elected governments and appointed of-  
ficials;

Whereas Iraq, as do all sovereign nations, has the duty and  
responsibility to indict, prosecute, and punish criminals  
within its jurisdiction;

Whereas the Iraqi Special Tribunal holds the sovereign power  
to prosecute criminals;



Whereas certain accused individuals have allegedly committed egregious crimes against humanity, genocide, and war crimes;

Whereas the people of a free and democratic Iraq deserve justice for the horrific crimes inflicted upon them; and

Whereas the Iraqi Special Tribunal is empaneled to bring swift and impartial justice for the people, victims, and the nation of Iraq: Now, therefore, be it

- 1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives fully
- 2 supports an independent Iraqi judiciary and its efforts to
- 3 serve the cause of justice in a free and democratic Iraq.

