



H. Res. 658 — Condemning in the strongest terms the terrorist attacks in Brussels on March 22, 2016, which murdered more than 30 innocent people, and severely wounded many (Rep. Poe, R-TX)

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FLOOR SCHEDULE:

Scheduled for consideration on March 23, 2016 under a suspension of the rules, which requires 2/3 majority for passage.

TOPLINE SUMMARY:

[H. Res. 658](#) would condemn the recent terrorist attacks in Brussels, Belgium on March 22, 2016, which killed more than 30 innocent people and wounded hundreds more.

COST:

No Congressional Budget Office (CBO) estimate is available

CONSERVATIVE CONCERNS:

No concerns.

- **Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?** No.
- **Encroach into State or Local Authority?** No.
- **Delegate Any Legislative Authority to the Executive Branch?** No.
- **Contain Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits?** No.

DETAILED SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS:

H. Res. 658 would condemn the March 22, 2016 Brussels terrorist attacks which murdered more than 30 innocent people and severely wounded many more. The resolution would express the House of Representatives' deepest sympathies and condolences for those killed and injured in the attacks. The resolution would additionally: pledge support to the government of Belgium in its efforts to bring to justice all those involved with the planning and execution of these terrorist attacks; declare that the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) poses a fundamental threat to the universal value of freedom in all countries; express that the House remains concerned regarding the flow of foreign fighters to and from the Middle East and West and North Africa and the threat posed by these individuals; and express its readiness to assist the government and people of Belgium to respond to the threat posed by ISIS and its terrorist affiliates.

On March 22, 2016, at least three Islamist terrorists conducted coordinated attacks against two sites, the Brussels airport and the Maelbeek metro station, killing more than 30 people and critically wounding hundreds more, including several American citizens. ISIS has claimed responsibility for the attacks.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

H. Res. 658 was introduced on March 22, 2016 and was referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

ADMINISTRATION POSITION:

A Statement of Administration Policy is not available.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY:

No Constitutional Authority Statement is available.

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