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Title: Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act of 2000

Sponsor: [Sen Hatch, Orrin G.](#) [UT] (introduced 7/13/2000) [Cosponsors](#) (8)

Related Bills: [H.R.4862](#)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 106-274 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

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SUMMARY AS OF:

7/13/2000--Introduced.

Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act of 2000 - Prohibits any government from imposing or implementing a land use regulation in a manner that imposes a substantial burden on the religious exercise of a person, including a religious assembly or institution, unless the government demonstrates that imposition of the burden on that person, assembly, or institution: (1) is in furtherance of a compelling governmental interest; and (2) is the least restrictive means of furthering that compelling governmental interest.

Prohibits any government from imposing a substantial burden on the religious exercise of a person residing



in or confined to an institution, as defined in the Civil Rights of Institutionalized Persons Act, even if the burden results from a rule of general applicability, unless the government demonstrates that imposition of the burden on that person: (1) is in furtherance of a compelling governmental interest; and (2) is the least restrictive means of furthering that compelling governmental interest. States that nothing in this Act shall be construed to amend or repeal the Prison Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (including provisions of law amended by that Act).

MAJOR ACTIONS:

7/13/2000 Introduced in Senate

7/27/2000 Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.

7/27/2000 Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed without objection.

7/27/2000 Cleared for White House.

9/18/2000 Presented to President.

9/22/2000 Signed by President.

9/22/2000 Became Public Law No: 106-274 [[Text](#), [PDF](#)]

ALL ACTIONS:

7/13/2000:
Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR [S6687-6688](#))

7/13/2000:
Introduced in the Senate. Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.

7/14/2000:
Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 684.

7/27/2000:
Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR [S7774-7781](#); text as passed Senate: CR [S7779-7781](#))

7/27/2000:
Message on Senate action sent to the House.

7/27/2000 6:08pm:
Received in the House.

7/27/2000 6:20pm:
Mr. Canady asked unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table and consider.

7/27/2000 6:20pm:
Considered by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR [H7190-7192](#))

7/27/2000 6:24pm:
On passage Passed without objection. (text: CR [H7191-7192](#))

7/27/2000 6:25pm:

Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

7/27/2000 6:27pm:

See also [H.R. 1691](#).

7/27/2000:

Cleared for White House.

9/18/2000:

Presented to President.

9/22/2000:

Signed by President.

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TITLE(S): *(italics indicate a title for a portion of a bill)*

- SHORT TITLE(S) AS INTRODUCED:
Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act of 2000
- SHORT TITLE(S) AS ENACTED:
Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act of 2000
- OFFICIAL TITLE AS INTRODUCED:
A bill to protect religious liberty, and for other purposes.

COSPONSORS(8), ALPHABETICAL [followed by Cosponsors withdrawn]: (Sort: [by date](#))

[Sen Bennett, Robert F.](#) [UT] - 7/13/2000 [Sen Crapo, Mike](#) [ID] - 7/26/2000

[Sen Daschle, Thomas A.](#) [SD] - 7/13/2000 [Sen Hutchinson, Tim](#) [AR] - 7/13/2000

[Sen Kennedy, Edward M.](#) [MA] - 7/13/2000 [Sen Lieberman, Joseph I.](#) [CT] - 7/13/2000

[Sen Schumer, Charles E.](#) [NY] - 7/13/2000 [Sen Smith, Gordon H.](#) [OR] - 7/14/2000

COMMITTEE(S):

NONE

RELATED BILL DETAILS: (additional related bills may be indentified in Status)

Bill:

Relationship:

[H.R.4862](#)

Identical bill identified by CRS

AMENDMENT(S):

NONE