

[H.Res.148, Calling on the government of Iran to fulfill their promises of assistance in this case of Robert Levinson, the longest held United States hostage in our Nation's history, as amended](#)

FLOOR SITUATION

On Monday, February 29, 2016, the House will consider [H.Res.148](#), Calling on the government of Iran to fulfill their promises of assistance in this case of Robert Levinson, the longest held United States hostage in our Nation's history, as amended under suspension of the rules. H.Res.148 was introduced on March 10, 2015 by Rep. Ted Deutch (D-FL) and was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, which ordered the bill reported in the nature of a substitute by unanimous consent on February 24, 2016.

SUMMARY

H.Res.148 resolves that the House of Representatives:

- Urges the Government of Iran to act on its promise to immediately provide the U.S. with all available information on the disappearance of Robert Levinson;
- Urges the U.S. President and U.S. allies to continue to raise the case of Robert Levinson at every opportunity with the Government of Iran; and
- Expresses sympathy to the family of Robert Levinson.

BACKGROUND

Robert Levinson, a retired Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), traveled to Kish Island, Iran on March 8, 2007 and disappeared a day later. In November 2010, the Levinson family received footage of Mr. Levinson in captivity, representing the first proof of life and indicating he was being held in southwest Asia. In November 2013, Levinson became the longest held U.S. hostage in our country's history. The U.S. Government has pressed the Government of Iran to provide information about Levinson's whereabouts and to ensure his prompt and safe return for over eight years.

COST

A Congressional Budget Office (CBO) cost estimate is currently not available.

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