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H. CON. RES. 47

Concerning criminal aliens.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BEILENSON submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Concerning criminal aliens.

Whereas the Federal Government has sole jurisdiction over the enforcement of United States immigration laws;

Whereas the Federal Government has failed to enforce such laws adequately, resulting in the unlawful entry into the United States of millions of illegal immigrants each year;

Whereas the Federal Government also has sole jurisdiction over the deportation of immigrant aliens who have been convicted of certain felonies;

Whereas illegal and legal immigrants represent a substantial portion of the prison populations of several States and local communities in the United States;

Whereas the presence of large numbers of criminal aliens has placed an enormous financial burden on the criminal justice systems of the affected communities;

Whereas Congress recognized this burden in the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRCA), and called for the “expeditious deportation” by the Federal Government of convicted aliens;

Whereas IRCA also called for the reimbursement to States for costs incurred for the imprisonment of illegal aliens; and

Whereas none of the commitments made by Congress in IRCA to alleviate the burden of criminal aliens on States and local communities have been fulfilled: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That the Federal Government should ac-
3 knowledge its responsibility to enforce United States im-
4 migration law, and that the Attorney General should es-
5 tablish as a priority, through the allocation of adequate
6 resources, the identification and deportation of criminal
7 aliens in an expeditious manner.

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