

SCR 6 -- PERSECUTION OF FALUN GONG PRACTITIONERS IN CHINA

SPONSOR: Schupp (Morris)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Special Committee on Homeland Security by a vote of 8 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 6 to 0.

This resolution calls on the Chinese Government to end the practice of organ harvesting from prisoners as well as prisoners of conscience, specifically Falun Gong prisoners of conscience. The resolution calls for the Chinese Government to end the persecution of the Falun Gong and release all Falun Gong practitioners. The resolution calls for the President of the United States to investigate the organ transplant practices in China and encourages the medical community of Missouri to engage in educating colleagues about the risks of travel to China for organ transplants. Finally, the resolution declares that the General Assembly agrees to take measures to ban the entry of those who have participated in illegal removal of human tissue and organs and seek prosecution of such individuals should they be found in Missouri.

This resolution is identical to SCR 28 (2018) and similar to SCR 8 (2017) and HCR 7 (2017).

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the persecution of the Falun Gong practitioners in China is severe and ongoing and extends to the arrest of innocent persons simply for the purpose of organ harvesting for transplants. China is the world leader in transplant surgeries because of this practice. Chinese residents of Missouri testified about their experiences with torture and even murder of family members and friends.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Schupp; Sa Geng; Xiao Ding; Marianne R. Marti; Sara Effner; and Shimin Zhuang.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.