



**One Hundred First Legislature - Second Session - 2010**  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LR 273**

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**Chairperson:** Bill Avery  
**Committee:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
**Date of Hearing:** February 19, 2010

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

The purpose of LR 273 is to urge the United States in its relations with the Turkish government to encourage the Turkish government to respect, recognize and restore the religious freedom of the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Senator Gwen Howard**