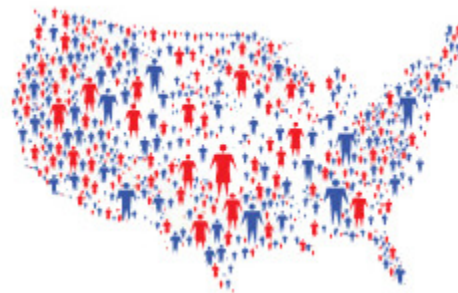




## Hate Crimes Bill Update

In an effort to bypass an up or down vote, the Senator Kennedy-sponsored Hate Crimes Bill was slipped in as an amendment to the Defense Authorization Bill (S. 1547). This amendment is expected to be considered, voted on, and passed within the next few days.



As Glen Lavy of the Alliance Defense Fund has documented, the **Hate Crimes Bill** is a "discriminatory measure that criminalizes thoughts, feelings and beliefs [and] has the potential of interfering with religious liberty and freedom of speech."

### What YOU can do to help!

Contact your senators and urge them to oppose this amendment.

Go to our website, [www.joycemeyer.org/america](http://www.joycemeyer.org/america), click on the Elected Officials section and follow the directions to contact your officials. If you want to contact members of Congress by telephone, you may reach them through the Capitol Hill switchboard at (202) 224-3121.

Your message is especially important with regard to the following senators:

Lamar Alexander (TN)	(202) 224-4944	FAX: (202) 228-3398
Robert Bennett (UT)	(202) 224-5444	FAX: (202) 228-1168
Norm Coleman (MN)	(202) 224-5641	FAX: (202) 224-1152
John Ensign (NV)	(202) 224-6244	FAX: (202) 228-2193
Richard Lugar (IN)	(202) 224-4814	FAX: (202) 228-0360
Lisa Murkowski (AK)	(202) 224-6665	FAX: (202) 224-5301
Mark Pryor (AR)	(202) 224-2353	FAX: (202) 228-0908
Ted Stevens (AK)	(202) 224-3004	FAX: (202) 224-2354
John Tester (MT)	(202) 224-2644	FAX: (202) 224-8594
George Voinovich (OH)	(202) 224-3353	FAX: (202) 228-1382

Please share this message with your friends and family. Ask your pastor to urge church members to contact their elected officials.

For more information about the **Hate Crimes Bill**, please [click here](#).