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**Act Now!**

## **Tell Congress to Act! Pass the Hate Crimes Bill!**

Did you know that current federal hate crime law only allows for federal investigation and prosecution of hate crimes based on race, religion, and national origin? It does not include sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or disability. Making your voice heard and urging Congress to support the Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act can right this wrong.

### Background

Since 1968, the federal government has had very limited jurisdiction to prosecute cases when state and local law enforcement officials cannot or will not. The LLEEA will not only strengthen the current legislation by broadening the types of violent crime that it covers, it will expand the protected categories to include hate crimes based on *sexual orientation, gender identity, and disability*.

[Click here](#) to find out more about the Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act.

The LLEEA already has broad support from civil rights groups and every major law enforcement entity in the country! It is important that your members of Congress hear from you!

**Take Action!**

**CALL NOW** and tell your members of Congress to support and cosponsor the Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act!

Congress must do everything it can to empower to the federal government to assist in local hate crime prosecutions and protect all Americans from violent crimes of hate and bigotry.

### **TAKE ACTION!**

Urge your members of Congress to cosponsor the Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act and support the protection from hate crimes for all Americans!

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