

**HJM 4004 - DIGEST**

Requests that, in a period when the Iraq Study Group, leading military and diplomatic officials, and allies around the world are calling for a reduction in troops and withdrawal of the United States from Iraq, the United States government should not escalate its involvement in Iraq or increase troop levels.

Resolves that, at a minimum, the President should obtain explicit approval from Congress if he wants to send more American troops to Iraq; and

Resolves that Congress should pass legislation prohibiting the President from spending taxpayer dollars on an escalation in Iraq, unless the President first seeks Congressional approval.