



Frederick Douglass Trafficking Victims Prevention and Protection Reauthorization Act of 2022

Hope for Justice is a global non-profit operating in the US and has more than 30 locations and offices across five continents, working to end human trafficking with an effective and proven multi-disciplinary model. We exist to bring an end to modern slavery by preventing exploitation, rescuing victims, restoring lives and reforming society.

Hope for Justice strongly endorses **HR 6552 Frederick Douglass Trafficking Victims Protection and Prevention Reauthorization Act of 2022**.

The Act is comprehensive and will enhance the efforts of survivor leaders, government, business, non-profits and faith organizations to prevent human trafficking, identify and support victims and ensure offenders and those who facilitate trafficking are held accountable.

Hope for Justice provided recommendations and expert insight into the legislation for its co-sponsors, Representatives Chris Smith (R-NJ), Karen Bass (D-CA), and Michael T. McCaul (R-TX) specifically aimed at preventing human trafficking through greater training and awareness raising.

The Act would require that federal agencies utilize preferred accommodations which have zero tolerance policies on human trafficking, offer training, and have procedures in place for reporting suspected trafficking to relevant law enforcement.

Overall, these provisions will enhance efforts in the government and hotel sector to mitigate risks of human trafficking. The Act also includes the following measures:

- Reauthorizes successful programs and creates new programs to serve survivors and to prevent trafficking
- Increases Housing Assistance Grants for victims
- Creates a new Survivor Employment and Education Program and scholarship fund for survivors
- Adds a new focus on online grooming and exploitation
- Expands prevention efforts at the U.S. Agency for International Development and ensures culturally responsive and trauma-informed approaches in programming
- Integrates anti-trafficking interventions in aid programs
- Empowers other countries to fight labor trafficking through innovations and capacity building

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