

Anti-Semitism Bill

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The House passed the Antisemitism Awareness Act on Wednesday amid unrest on college campuses.

The bill, which was introduced by a bipartisan group of lawmakers, passed 320-91.

The measure was led by Rep. Mike Lawler, R-N.Y., and had 15 Democratic co-sponsors.

In the spirit of the Stockholm Declaration that states: “With humanity still scarred by ...antisemitism and xenophobia the international community shares a solemn responsibility to fight those evils” the committee on Antisemitism and Holocaust Denial called the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) Plenary in Budapest 2015 to adopt the following working definition of antisemitism.

On 26 May 2016, the Plenary in Bucharest decided to: Adopt the following non-legally binding working definition of antisemitism:

“Antisemitism is a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews.

Rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities.”

To guide IHRA in its work, the following examples may serve as illustrations:

Accusing Jews as a people of being responsible for real or imagined wrongdoing committed by a single Jewish person or group, or even for acts committed by non-Jews.

Using the symbols and images associated with classic antisemitism (e.g., claims of Jews killing Jesus or blood libel) to characterize Israel or Israelis.

This is what happens when so few people really know what the Bible says. There is at least one senator who will make sure there is an amendment which excludes any scripture as antisemitism before they take a vote. Following are several verses that actually say that the Jews killed Jesus. If we don't pay attention, it could

become illegal to teach certain Bible verses or certain Bible translations!

Luke 24:20

And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, **Concerning Jesus of Nazareth**, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people: And how **the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death**, and have crucified him.

Matthew 27:20-25

But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus. The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas. Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? **They all say unto him, Let him be crucified.** And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified. When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye

to it. **Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children.**

Acts 2:22-24

Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know: Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, **ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain**: Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.

Acts 2:36

Therefore let all **the house of Israel** know assuredly, that God hath made **that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified**, both Lord and Christ.

Acts 3:12-15

And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, **Ye men of Israel**, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk? The God of Abraham, and of Isaac,

and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified **his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate,** when he was determined to let him go. But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you; **And killed the Prince of life,** whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

1 Thessalonians 2:14-16

For ye, brethren, became followers of the churches of God which in Judaea are in Christ Jesus: for ye also have suffered like things of your own countrymen, even as they have of the Jews: Who both killed the Lord Jesus, and their own prophets, and have persecuted us; and they please not God, and are contrary to all men: Forbidding us to speak to the Gentiles that they might be saved, to fill up their sins alway: for the wrath is come upon them to the uttermost.

Acts 4:10

Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand

here before you whole.

Our government, well-meaning or not could pass a bill where teaching certain Bible verses could become illegal by definition!