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Steve Jordahl Report: Religious Asylum Assailed
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A bill severely restricting religious asylum is making its way through congress. Bill sponsors are saying they want to attach the bill to the next major piece of legislation that goes through the senate, the restrictions could pass and you'd never know it. Terry Phillips reports.

The bill deals with a number of national security issues including immigration. Tucked into one section is a severe clampdown on who is granted asylum in the US. While not singling out religious persecution, the effect of the bill would be to restrict asylum to many that are being persecuted for their faith. Dori Dinsmore of World Relief.

(Dori Dinsmore) "President Bush, // has talked about our nation's role as // promoting human rights and democracy and freedom around the world. But if we're not doing that at home then we're saying one thing and doing something else."

The Real ID Act of 2005 has passed the house and could be rushed through the Senate in the next few weeks. For Family News in Focus, I'm Terry Phillips.