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This bill is an effort to encourage hatred of Palestinians. Just like pointing out ways to improve our own government is very patriotic so is pointing out ways to improve the government of Israel an act of respect and hope for a peaceful future in the Middle East. It must not be a crime in any democratic country to criticize the government of one's own or any other country. Both the Palestinian and the Israeli governments have missed opportunities for peace. We can help only if we respect both peoples and remember that criticizing a government is not the same thing as relegating a whole population to condemnation.

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