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A Million Quality Teachers Act

**Congress:** 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Education

**Introduced:** Jan 29, 2001

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Jan 29, 2001)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/107th-congress/senate-bill/195>

Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Frist, William H. [R-TN]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** TN • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 29, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Education

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 1225	Identical bill	May 30, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform.

## Summary (as of Jan 29, 2001)

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A Million Quality Teachers Act - Amends the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) to establish new programs for recruitment, retention, and retraining of teachers.

Authorizes the Secretary of Education to award competitive grants to eligible applicant States for recruitment, retention, and retraining of high-quality teachers through one or more specified types of activities.

Directs the Secretary to carry out a program of student loan forgiveness, as an incentive for entering the teaching profession and teaching in a public school, for individuals who have majored or obtained graduate degrees, and excelled, in core academic subjects, as opposed to education as a subject. Authorizes the Secretary to pay stipends to such individuals to cover certain costs incurred in obtaining certification through an alternative route for employment as an elementary or secondary school teacher. Requires such individuals to teach in a public school for two years after their certification.

Directs the Secretary to carry out certain notification, public awareness, and advertising activities.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jan 29, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 29, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S643-644)
- **Jan 29, 2001:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.