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S 2058

Making Work Pay Act

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Social Welfare Introduced: Mar 21, 2002

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Mar 21, 2002)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]

Party: Democratic • State: AR • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Breaux, John B. [D-LA]	D·LA		Mar 21, 2002
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	$D \cdot WV$		Mar 21, 2002
Sen. Graham, Bob [D-FL]	D · FL		Mar 22, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 22, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Social Welfare

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 4057	Identical bill	Mar 20, 2002: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

Summary (as of Mar 21, 2002)

Making Work Pay Act - Amends part A (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) (TANF) of title IV of the Social Security Act (SSA), with respect to rewards to States in which families leave welfare for work, to replace the caseload reduction credit with an employment credit. Requires the reduction of a State's minimum participation rate by the number of percentage points in the State's employment credit for the fiscal year.

Allows States to receive partial credit toward their work participation rate for recipients engaged in part-time work for an average of at least half the minimum average number of hours per week.

Removes from the work participation rate calculation for a entire year any TANF recipients who qualify for supplemental security income benefits under SSA title XVI.

Grants States the option to include recipients of substantial child care or transportation assistance in the work participation rate.

Repeals the separate work participation rate for two-parent families (thus lowering their rate to the one applied to one-parent families).

Actions Timeline

- Mar 21, 2002: Introduced in Senate
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