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# S 2117

2002 ACCESS Act

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Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Families
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## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 11, 2002

### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

### **Policy Area:**

Families

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

#### **Summary** (as of Apr 11, 2002)

Access to High Quality Child Care Act - 2002 ACCESS Act - Amends the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to extend the authorization of appropriations, and to revise or set forth provisions relating to: (1) lead agency; (2) State plan requirements; (3) activities to improve the quality of child care; (4) parent access to quality child care; (5) child care research and data; (6) child care provider development; (7) activities for infants and toddlers; (8) technical and financial assistance grants; and (9) quality child care, development, and education incentive grants.

Federal Employees Child Care Act - Establishes requirements for enhancing security at child care centers in Federal facilities. Directs the Administrator of General Services to: (1) establish health, safety, and facility standards and compliance requirements for child care in executive branch facilities; (2) issue regulations requiring any child care facility sponsor to comply with standards of a child care accreditation entity; (3) establish an interagency council to facilitate cooperation and sharing of best practices; and (4) confirm that at least 50 percent of aggregate enrollment in Federal child care centers Government-wide are children of Federal employees or on-site Federal contractors, or dependent children who live with such employees or contractors. Authorizes a Federal agency without a child care program, or the Administrator upon identifying a need for child care at a Federal agency, to enter into an agreement with a non-Federal, licensed, and accredited child care facility, or a planned facility that will become licensed and accredited. Permits a Federal agency to conduct a pilot project to test innovative approaches to providing more cost-effective alternative forms of child care assistance for Federal employees.

Amends the Social Security Act's title IV part A (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) (TANF) with respect to child care assistance for TANF recipients.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Apr 11, 2002: Introduced in Senate
- Apr 11, 2002: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2587-2589)
- Apr 11, 2002: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.