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STEP Act of 2002

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Support, Training, Employment Programs Act of 2002 or the STEP Act of 2002 - Amends title IV part A (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) (TANF) of the Social Security Act to direct the Secretary of Labor to make a grant to assist each transitional jobs State to create and expand transitional jobs programs that: (1) combine publicly subsidized time-limited employment with skill development and barrier removal activities; (2) provide job development and placement assistance to help participants move from subsidized employment in transitional jobs into unsubsidized employment; and (3) serve assistance recipients and other low-income individuals who have been unable to secure employment through job search or other employment-related services because of limited skills, experience, or other employment barriers.

Requires the Secretary of Labor to award national competitive grants for transitional jobs programs proposed for services in: (1) multiple sites in more than one State; (2) States not otherwise eligible; or (3) rural areas or areas with high concentrations of residents with income below the poverty line.

Specifies worker job protections so as not to infringe on or displace otherwise employed individuals.

Requires the State to establish and maintain specified grievance procedures for resolving complaints.

Directs the Secretary of Labor and the Secretary of Health and Human Services jointly to award business link partnership grants to nonprofit organizations, local workforce investment boards, or political subdivisions of States to fund innovative programs designed to: (1) upgrade job and related skills in partnership with employers in order to increase substantially the wages of low-income parents, noncustodial parents, and other low-income individuals; and (2) expand and link work and training opportunities for low-earning workers in collaboration with employers.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 18, 2002:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 18, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5699)
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