

## HR 2636

Foundations for Learning Act

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 9, 2001

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Education

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 S 1247	Identical bill	<b>Jul 25, 2001:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

## Summary (as of Jul 25, 2001)

Foundations for Learning Act - Authorizes the Secretary of Education to make formula grants to States to assist eligible children to become ready for school through specified kinds of: (1) screening; (2) family support initiatives; (3) consultations and support to providers of early childhood services; (4) services to eligible children and their families; and (5) development of community resources.

Requires all services under this Act to be: (1) provided in the most culturally competent manner practicable; (2) free-of-charge for any child of a family whose income is below 200 percent of the poverty line (and, if a charge is imposed on other children it must be on a sliding scale based on ability to pay); (3) provided by or under the supervision of qualified professionals with expertise in early childhood development; and (4) intended to benefit eligible children.

Makes eligible under this Act children, aged zero to six, to whom two or more of these characteristics apply: (1) low birth weight; (2) cognitive deficit or developmental disability; (3) parental substance abuse; (4) custodial parent with less than secondary school diploma; (5) parental depression or other mental illness; (6) abuse, maltreatment, or neglect; (7) family income below 200 percent of the Federal poverty line; (8) early behavioral and peer relationship problems; (9) exposure to violence; (10) homelessness; or (11) removal from child care, Head Start, or preschool for behavioral reasons or at risk of being so removed.

## Actions Timeline

- Oct 9, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform.
- Jul 25, 2001:** Introduced in House
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