

S 373

Professional Development Reform Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]

Party: Democratic • **State:** RI • **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	Feb 15, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Professional Development Reform Act - Amends the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a new program for the professional development of elementary and secondary school teachers.

Directs the Secretary of Education to make program allotments to applicant State educational agencies (SEAs) according to a specified formula. Requires an SEA to reserve portions of its allotment to support programs to provide effective leadership and mentoring training to school administrators and teachers. Allows an SEA also to reserve portions of its allotment for technical assistance and information dissemination to schools and local educational agencies (LEAs) for: (1) professional development activities aligned with State standards for content, student performance, and teaching excellence; and (2) evaluation and administrative costs. Requires SEAs to allocate the remainder to eligible applicant LEAs.

Bases an LEA's eligibility for such allocations on its eligibility for assistance for basic LEA programs to help disadvantaged children meet high standards. Requires each recipient LEA to use its allocation to carry out specified types of professional development activities in the schools it serves that have the highest percentages of students living in poverty. Provides for continuation of funding under certain conditions.

Directs the Secretary to reserve a portion of funds under this Act for: (1) national evaluation; and (2) dissemination activities, including a national database or clearinghouse.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 15, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 15, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1514-1515)
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