

HR 126

Book Stamp Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 21, 2003
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 7, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 7, 2003)

Book Stamp Act - Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to establish a grant program (based on certain State allocations under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990) to promote child literacy and improve children's access to books at home and in early learning, child care, literacy and nutrition programs, by making books available through such programs.

Requires State agencies to use such grants to enter into contracts with local child care resource and referral agencies to provide payments for eligible early learning program and other child care providers, on the basis of local needs, to make books available, promote child literacy, and improve children's access to books at home.

Amends Federal law relating to the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) to require USPS to establish special postage stamps for child literacy, at the regular first-class rate plus a differential amount, for voluntary use by patrons. Requires USPS to pay certain amounts raised by stamp sales to HHS for child literacy promotion activities.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 21, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
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