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S 1273

A bill to provide for a study to ensure that students are not adversely affected by changes to the needs analysis tables, and to require the Secretary of Education to consult with the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance regarding such changes.

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Education
Introduced: Jun 17, 2003

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as

introduced: CR S7983) (Jun 17, 2003)

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Party: Democratic • State: MA • Chamber: Senate

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Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]	D·IA		Jun 17, 2003
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Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jun 17, 2003
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Jun 17, 2003
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jun 18, 2003
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	D · WV		Jun 23, 2003
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Jul 21, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 17, 2003

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 1268	Identical bill	Jun 16, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Jun 17, 2003)

Directs the Comptroller General to study and report to the Secretary of Education and the appropriate congressional committees on proposed changes to the tables used in the Federal Needs Analysis Methodology to determine a student's expected family contribution for the award year 2004-2005 under general provisions for student assistance of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA). Requires such study to examine the impact of such changes on students to ensure that they are not adversely affected.

Amends HEA to direct the Secretary to consult with the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance before publishing any notice or promulgating any regulation with respect to updated tables to be used in such needs analysis.

Actions Timeline

- Jun 17, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- Jun 17, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S7983)
- Jun 17, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S7983)