

S 1619

Improving Education for Homeless and Foster Children with Disabilities Act of 2003

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Education

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Sep 16, 2003)

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Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** WA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH]	R · OH		Sep 16, 2003
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Oct 22, 2003
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Nov 4, 2003
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Nov 13, 2003
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	D · WV		Nov 20, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 16, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Education

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Improving Education for Homeless and Foster Children with Disabilities Act of 2003 - Amends the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) to ensure that special education and other services are provided for children with disabilities who are homeless or who are wards of the State, including foster children.

Revises or adds IDEA provisions relating to such children under: (1) definitions of parents, and of homeless children (and youth); (2) State child find systems; (3) local educational agency coordinated services systems, interagency personnel development, and liaisons for service delivery; (4) evaluations, eligibility determinations, individualized education programs, and educational placements; (5) procedural safeguards; (6) infants and toddlers, and related statewide systems, applications, and assurances; (7) State interagency coordinating councils; and (8) training in educational advocacy.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 16, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Sep 16, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11569-11570)
- **Sep 16, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.