

# HR 2183

Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology Opportunity Act of 2003

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### **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 20, 2003
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Discharged from	Jul 9, 2003

### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Science, Technology, Communications

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 2801	Text similarities	Nov 22, 2004: House Committee on Education and the Workforce Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Dec. 10, 2004.

#### **Summary** (as of May 21, 2003)

Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology Opportunity Act of 2003 - Establishes within the National Science Foundation (NSF) an Office of Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology to: (1) award grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements (assistance) to eligible institutions to provide educational instruction in digital and wireless network technologies; and (2) strengthen the national digital and wireless infrastructure by increasing national investment in telecommunications and technology infrastructure at eligible institutions.

Requires the NSF Director to establish an advisory council on the best approaches for involving eligible institutions in supported activities and for reviewing and evaluating submitted proposals. Requires the council to include members from minority serving institutions.

Makes the following institutions eligible for such assistance: (1) a historically Black college or university; (2) a Hispanic-, Alaska Native-, or Native Hawaiian-serving institution; (3) a tribally controlled college or university; or (4) an institution determined to have enrolled a substantial number of minority, low-income students who received assistance under the Higher Education Act of 1965. Provides a matching funds requirement.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Jul 9, 2003: Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- Jul 9, 2003: Subcommittee on Research Discharged.
- Jun 20, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
- May 28, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Research.
- May 21, 2003: Introduced in House
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