

HR 2801

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	Aug 13, 2003
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Discharged from	Jul 22, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Science, Technology, Communications

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 196	Text similarities	Jul 21, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
108 HR 2183	Text similarities	Jul 9, 2003: Subcommittee on Research Discharged.

Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology Opportunity Act of 2003 (sic)- Amends the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 to direct the Secretary of Commerce to establish a Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology Opportunity Program to assist eligible educational institutions in acquiring, and augmenting use of, digital and wireless networking technologies to improve the quality and delivery of educational services at such institutions. Defines as eligible institutions: (1) historically Black colleges or universities, (2) a Hispanic-, Alaskan Native-, or Native Hawaiian-serving institution; (3) a tribally controlled college or university; or (4) an institution with a sufficient enrollment of needy students as defined under the Higher Education Act of 1965. Outlines authorized assistance activities. Directs the Under Secretary of Commerce for Technology to: (1) establish an advisory council to advise on the best approaches toward maximum Program participation by eligible institutions; and (2) ensure that grant awards are made to all types of eligible institutions

Requires Program assessment every three years by the National Academy of Public Administration.

Requires: (1) each institution receiving assistance to report annually to the Under Secretary on the use of such funds; and (2) the Under Secretary to report assessment results to Congress.

Authorizes appropriations for FY 2004 through 2008 for the Program.

Acknowledges and recognizes the significant achievements and contributions of African-American scientists, mathematicians, and inventors.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 22, 2004:** House Committee on Education and the Workforce Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Dec. 10, 2004.
- **Nov 19, 2004:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Science. H. Rept. 108-789, Part I.
- **Nov 19, 2004:** House Committee on Education and the Workforce Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Nov. 22, 2004.
- **Aug 13, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
- **Jul 25, 2003:** Mr. Boehlert asked unanimous consent that the Committee on Science, Space and Technology have until 4:00 p.m. on Aug. 29 to file a report on H.R. 2801. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 22, 2003:** Subcommittee on Research Discharged.
- **Jul 22, 2003:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 22, 2003:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jul 21, 2003:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 21, 2003:** Referred to the Committee on Science, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Jul 21, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Research.

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