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### HR 3676

National Security Language Act Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

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Rep. Woolsey, Lynn C. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Jan 21, 2004
Rep. Millender-McDonald, Juanita [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Jan 28, 2004

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Rep. Davis, Jim [D-FL-11]	D·FL		Jul 19, 2004
Rep. Olver, John W. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Jul 22, 2004
Rep. Watson, Diane E. [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Sep 8, 2004
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D·IL		Dec 7, 2004

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 8, 2003
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 30, 2004
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Intelligence (Permanent Select) Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 8, 2003

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

Policy Area:

Education

### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

National Security Language Act - Amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA) to establish programs to encourage early foreign language instruction, including grants to: (1) partnerships of institutions of higher education (IHEs) and local educational agencies (LEAs) for activities relating to foreign language instruction at elementary or secondary schools, with priorities for high-need LEAs and less-commonly taught foreign languages; and (2) IHEs that develop innovative programs for the teaching of foreign languages, with priorities for combining foreign languages with science and technology and for less-commonly taught foreign languages.

Provides undergraduate student loan forgiveness of up to \$10,000 for students who major in a critical need foreign language and are employed as teachers of such language in elementary or secondary schools or as using such language regularly in a Federal agency.

Directs the Secretary of Education to: (1) establish a foreign language education marketing campaign to encourage students at secondary schools and IHEs to study foreign languages, particularly ones less commonly taught and critical to national security; and (2) conduct a study to identify foreign language heritage communities and recruit speakers of such critical languages.

Amends the David L. Boren National Security Education Act of 1991 to establish an International Flagship Language Initiative with grants to IHEs.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Jan 30, 2004: Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
- Jan 30, 2004: Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform.
- Jan 30, 2004: Referred to the Subcommittee on Select Education.
- Dec 9, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E2493)
- Dec 8, 2003: Introduced in House
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