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S 1029

Accessing College through Comprehensive Early Outreach and State Partnerships Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		May 12, 2005
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Committee Activity

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Accessing College through Comprehensive Early Outreach and State Partnerships Act - Amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 to replace the current special leveraging educational assistance partnership program with a program of allotments to enable states to: (1) expand and enhance partnerships with institutions of higher education, early information and intervention, mentoring, or outreach programs, private corporations, philanthropic organizations, and other interested parties to carry out specified activities and provide coordination and cohesion among federal, state, and local governmental and private efforts providing financial assistance to help low-income students attend college; (2) provide need-based grants for college access and increased college persistence to eligible low-income students; (3) provide early notification to low-income students of their eligibility for financial aid; and (4) encourage increased participation in early information and intervention, mentoring, or outreach programs.

Requires partnerships for the award of grants between a state agency and: (1) at least one public and one private degree granting institution of higher education located in the state; and (2) new or existing early information and intervention, mentoring, or outreach programs also located in the state. Permits partnerships with philanthropic organizations located in, or which provide funding in, the state, as well as private corporations located in, or doing business in, the state.

Requires different federal shares of program costs and different amounts of grants awarded in partnerships with institutions of higher learning: (1) serving less than a majority of students in the state; and (2) serving the majority of students in the state.

Requires annual early notification of low-income students of their potential eligibility for student financial assistance. Prescribes minimum eligibility requirements for such students.

Actions Timeline

- May 12, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- May 12, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5160-5161)
- May 12, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5161-5163)