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S 1218

Teacher Excellence for All Children Act of 2005

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Chamber: Senate
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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S6323-6331)

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 9, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 2835	Related bill	Jul 25, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform.

Teacher Excellence for All Children Act of 2005 - Revises and establishes programs relating to recruitment, preparation, distribution, and retention of public elementary and secondary school teachers and principals.

Amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA) to establish: (1) teacher education assistance for college and higher education (TEACH) grants for undergraduate and graduate students who agree to serve as teachers in high-need schools or fields; and (2) grants to recruit teachers with mathematics, science, or language majors.

Extends the authorization of appropriations for HEA teacher quality enhancement grants for states and partnerships.

Revises HEA student loan forgiveness requirements to: (1) extend permanently additional amounts for teachers in mathematics, science, or special education provided by the Taxpayer-Teacher Protection Act of 2004; (2) increase other amounts, making reading specialists eligible for such forgiveness; and (3) apply forgiveness in annual increments rather than in a lump sum at end of service.

Amends the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, to establish grant programs to improve teaching at high-need schools.

Requires states to provide assurances of their reasonable progress toward equitable access to teacher quality as a condition of assistance under ESEA.

Amends the Education Sciences Reform Act to direct the Statistics Commissioner to publish results of certain schools and staffing surveys.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to: (1) exclude from gross income up to \$15,000 for compensation of teachers and principals in certain high-need schools or teaching certain high-need subjects; and (2) increase to a maximum of \$500 and make permanent the above-the-line deduction for certain expenses of elementary and secondary schoolteachers.

Actions Timeline

- Jun 9, 2005: Introduced in Senate
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