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## HR 1380

Higher Education Affordability and Equity Act of 2005

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Chamber: House
Policy Area: Taxation
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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness. (Apr 18, 2005)

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Party: Republican • State: PA • Chamber: House

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Rep. Bishop, Rob [R-UT-1]	$R \cdot UT$		May 3, 2005
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Rep. Davis, Jo Ann [R-VA-1]	R·VA		May 5, 2005
Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-3]	R · OH		May 5, 2005
Rep. Hoekstra, Peter [R-MI-2]	R · MI		May 10, 2005
Rep. Hostettler, John N. [R-IN-8]	R·IN		May 10, 2005
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Michael G. [R-PA-8]	R · PA		May 17, 2005
Rep. Kennedy, Mark R. [R-MN-6]	R · MN		May 17, 2005
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		May 24, 2005
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Jun 23, 2005
Rep. Gillmor, Paul E. [R-OH-5]	R · OH		Jun 23, 2005
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Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		Sep 27, 2005
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Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-17]	D · OH		Sep 27, 2005
Rep. Hulshof, Kenny C. [R-MO-9]	R · MO		Oct 18, 2005
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Rep. Pastor, Ed [D-AZ-4]	$D \cdot AZ$		Oct 18, 2005
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#### **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 18, 2005
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 17, 2005

#### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

**Policy Area:** 

Taxation

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

**Summary** (as of Mar 17, 2005)

Higher Education Affordability and Equity Act of 2005 - Amends the Internal Revenue Code to: (1) repeal the dollar limitation on the tax deduction for interest on education loans and expand eligibility for such deduction by revising the modified adjusted gross income phaseout for such deduction; (2) make the tax deduction for qualified tuition and related expenses permanent; (3) increase from \$2,000 to \$5,000 the maximum allowable contribution to a Coverdell savings account; (4) exclude from gross income amounts received for qualified higher education expenses (e.g., books, supplies, room, board, and special needs services); and (5) allow certain additional expenses (e.g., fees, books, supplies, and equipment) for purposes of the Hope Scholarship Tax Credit and provide that such tax credit shall not be reduced by Federal Pell Grants and Supplemental Educational Opportunity (SEOG) Grants.

Repeals the sunset provisions of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 (EGTRRA) applicable to title IV, subtitles A, B, and D (Affordable Education Provisions) of such Act.

Amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA) to provide that a qualified education benefit shall not be considered an asset of a student for purposes of a student financial need analysis. Defines "qualified education benefit" as a tax-exempt tuition credits program, a State education prepayment plan, and a Coverdell education savings account.

#### **Actions Timeline**

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