

## HR 198

Prosecutors and Defenders Incentive Act

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 9, 2005

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Education

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 2039	Related bill	<b>May 25, 2006:</b> Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 451.

## Summary (as of Jan 4, 2005)

Prosecutors and Defenders Incentive Act - Amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA) to establish a program of student loan forgiveness for borrowers who agree to remain employed, for at least three years, as public attorneys who are: (1) State or local criminal prosecutors; or (2) State, local, or Federal public defenders in criminal cases.

Directs the Secretary of Education to provide such student loan repayment benefits for such public attorneys on a first-come, first-served basis, and subject to the availability of appropriations. Requires priority to be given to borrowers who received repayment benefits for the preceding fiscal year and have completed less than three years of the first required service period. Allows the borrower and the Secretary to enter into an additional agreement, after the required three-year period, for a successive period of service which may be less than three years. Limits the amount paid under such program on behalf of any borrower to \$6,000 per calendar year and \$40,000 total.

Includes public defenders among those eligible under a current HEA program of cancellation of student loans for certain public service.

## Actions Timeline

- Feb 9, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
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