

HR 2000

FOCUS Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	May 20, 2005
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	May 20, 2005
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 23, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Families

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 28, 2005)

Focus On Committed and Underpaid Staff for Children's Sake Act - FOCUS Act - Establishes: (1) the Child Care Provider Development and Retention Grant Program; and (2) the Child Care Provider Scholarship Program.

Authorizes the Secretary of Health and Human Services to allot funds to eligible states (and Indian tribes and tribal organizations) for distribution directly, or at state option through local governments, to pay the federal share of the cost of making grants to eligible child care providers under both such programs.

Healthy Early Education Workforce Grant Program Act - Authorizes the Secretary to allot funds to eligible states (and Indian tribes and tribal organizations) to pay for the federal share of the cost of providing access to affordable health benefits coverage for: (1) eligible child care providers; and (2) at state option, the spouses, domestic partners, and dependents of such providers. Directs the Secretary to conduct an evaluation of several such funded state programs representing various approaches to increasing the rate of coverage for child care providers.

Actions Timeline

- **May 23, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.
- **May 20, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.
- **May 20, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
- **Apr 28, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 28, 2005:** Referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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